

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Not Very Helpful  
Analysis

MR Chou En-lai's analysis of the world situation, made to the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, was not a particularly outstanding effort. It revealed no fresh approach to world problems by the Peking government, and it included too many humdrum generalities.

The Western powers will note, without being impressed, the Chinese Premier's reiteration of last year's proposal for a conference of Far Eastern and other interested nations designed to effect a collective security pact, dependent on the abolition of SEATO and ANZUS—a proposition which it is difficult to believe is advanced with serious intent. Militant Communism created the necessity for SEATO, and until militant Communism withdraws itself as an element in international affairs, protective pacts such as SEATO, NATO and the Baghdad treaty must remain in existence.

MR Chou's review of the domestic front stressed, or at least laid claim to the progress being made in socialising China's economy. The figures were not unimpressive: 1,900,000 agricultural producer co-operatives with a membership of 70 million peasant households; 70,000 handicraft producer co-operatives with a membership of two million workers; and near realisation of the transformation of private enterprises into joint State-private businesses and industries—but these facts and figures do not reveal the true economic condition of the country. The world would be more interested in knowing to what extent, if any, living standards in the People's Republic have improved under the socialisation scheme; whether or not there has been any substantial increase in the production and availability of consumer goods. (The people of China have still to experience the end result of a policy of regimenting the workers and the means of production.)

THE most significant part of Mr Chou's speech was his treatment of the Formosa question, and his quite remarkable reference to the two occasions on which the Chinese Communist Party have co-operated with the Kuomintang. This is a new line and open to a diversity of interpretations. For although the Premier went on to make a direct appeal to the rank and file Nationalists to return to their native land, he also included in the invitation "Kuomintang military personnel." The question prompted is whether Chou is merely suggesting defection by important Nationalists or is hinting at a willingness to enter into serious negotiations for a "peaceful settlement of the Formosa problem."

Also discernible is a threat. Besides striving for the liberation of Taiwan by peaceful means, declares Mr Chou, the Chinese people must actively prepare for its liberation by means of war, if necessary. It is an observation which underscores Peking's refusal at the current ambassadorial Geneva talks to make a non-aggression declaration relating to Formosa. It serves to give further notice that Peking is prepared to discuss the future of Formosa strictly on its own terms. The Chinese Premier's utterances of this nature contribute nothing towards creating a favourable atmosphere for a peaceful and satisfactory settlement, and they make nonsense of his other, noisily expressed hopes for a relaxation of international tension.

★London Concern Over Chinese Premier's Speech★

WHY DID CHOU SAY 'WAR'?

COINCIDES  
WITH NEW  
TENSION

London, Jan. 30. Mr Chou En-lai's reaffirmation of China's intention to fight for Formosa, if necessary, caused concern in official quarters tonight.

Since the conference of African and Asian nations in Bandung last April, the Chinese Premier has not used the word "war" in statements on the Formosa question, as far as is known here.

He and his Foreign Ministry have used phrases like "striving for the liberation of Formosa by peaceful means so far as it is possible."

TIMING SIGNIFICANT

The timing of Mr Chou's speech was also held to be significant for these reasons.

★ It follows strong Chinese criticism of the United States attitude at the Sino-American talks in Geneva and accusations that the Americans are stepping up military activity and tension in the Formosa area. Some diplomats here believe the Geneva ambassadors' talks will shortly collapse through a failure to agree to a mutual renunciation of force.

★ It was probably designed to make an impact on the current Washington meetings between President Eisenhower and Sir Anthony Eden. The Peking Government is fully aware of the serious difference of view between London and Washington over the Formosa Straits question and, presumably, assumes that Britain's objections to the American guarantee to the Chinese Nationalists are on the agenda.

FORMOSA'S STATUS

The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr Anthony Nutting, said in the House of Commons today that the question of the sovereignty of Formosa remained in abeyance. Mr Kuan Zilius, a Labour leftwinger, had asked for an assurance that the Government was still prepared to carry out the terms of the Cairo and Potsdam declarations "concerning the restoration to the Republic of China of Formosa and the Pescadores."

The Cairo declaration was made in 1943 by President Roosevelt, Chiang Kai-shek and (then) Mr Winston Churchill, representing the United States, China and Britain respectively. The Potsdam declaration was made in 1945 by President Truman, Marshal Stalin and Mr Clement Attlee representing the United States, Russia and Britain.

UNDETERMINED

Mr Nutting replied: "As Sir Winston Churchill said in February 1955 the Cairo declaration of 1943 remains merely a statement of common purpose. The problem of Formosa has since become an international problem in which a number of other nations are closely concerned."

"The question of the future sovereignty over Formosa was left undetermined by the Japanese peace treaty," Mr Zilius claimed that the Cairo declaration specifically said that Formosa was Chinese (Contd. on back page, Col. 2)

Bulgarian Back  
On The Job

Moscow, Jan. 30. The Soviet Premier Marshal Bulganin was today back at work after a four-week absence from public life. An official of the Premier's office said. The premier, who was last seen in public at an East German Embassy reception on January 3, has been reported "resting" in the country after a month-long visit to India, Burma and Afghanistan.—Reuter.

Marshall Warns  
'I May Resign'

Singapore, Jan. 31. The Singapore Chief Minister, Mr David Marshall, said in a newspaper interview that if the London independence talks did not end satisfactorily "there is a probability my government may resign."

Mr Marshall was also reported to have said "strong forces" in Singapore were blocking efforts of his government to achieve independence.

Mr Marshall discussed plans to hold Singapore elections in 1957 to double the strength of the Assembly.

He proposed adding another 25 seats to the present Assembly.

The Labour Front, Mr Marshall said (his present Government) might emerge considerably strengthened from such an election.—Reuter.

Provisional  
Freedom For  
'Tokyo Rose'

Chicago, Jan. 30. Los Angeles-born "Tokyo Rose," who was released from prison on probation on Saturday after serving six-and-a-half years of a ten-year sentence for treason, was told today she would not be a free woman until April 8, 1959.

Mr Ben Meeker, Chicago's Chief Federal Probation Officer, said under the terms of her probation, she would have to report to the Probation Department office at least once a month and not to leave the northern district of Illinois without permission.

In addition, she must avoid narcotics and liquor. "Tokyo Rose"—Her real name is Mrs. Iva Hukko Torgu D'Aquino—was broadcast over Japanese Radio during World War two.

'Still In A Daze'

Mrs D'Aquino is now 39. She told reporters "I'm still in a daze. I'm going out into the unknown and I don't know what is going to happen."

Deportation papers have been served on her. She claimed her wartime broadcasts to American troops in the Pacific were made "under duress," that she did not write the scripts and did not choose the records which were broadcast.

She said that when she heard of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, she went into a state of shock for three days.

She objected to making the broadcast. She added that she had no plans for work and intended to live with her family in Chicago for the time being.

She said she would like to stay in the United States and had no plans to return to Japan.—Reuter.

Prices Are Lower Than Britain's

SOVIET BID TO SELL  
WARPLANES OVERSEAS

London, Jan. 30. The Soviet Union has offered to sell planes to several countries, particularly India and Argentina, according to information received in London.

These two countries, which were about to place orders in Britain, were understood to have suspended negotiations to give them an opportunity to study the Soviet offer.

MIGs For Argentina?

India, which wanted to buy the medium-range Canberra jet bomber, has been allegedly offered two-engined jet bombers by the Russians, and Argentina, which was interested in the British Hawker Hunter jet fighter, has been offered MIG-15 fighters as well as other jets. The Soviet prices would be less than the British. British manufacturers state they can not out their prices. In addition, it is reported that the Soviet Union has pro-

Eden, Lloyd Get Down To Business

Lunch—Then  
Talks On  
Middle East

Washington, Jan. 30. The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd and the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr Foster Dulles, discussed the Middle East question, including the Arab-Israeli dispute and the British-Saudi Arabian dispute, for two hours this afternoon.

A White House spokesman, who made the announcement, said the President joined them later for a continuation of the Middle East talks.

No decisions or conclusions had yet been reached and further consideration would be given to this subject in the course of the three-day conference.

'Narrow Divergencies'

Discussions ranged as far as the geographic boundary of the Middle East, including the Arab states and as far east as the borders of the Baghdad pact.

Asked if any specific proposals had been made, the spokesman replied: "No. It was a general discussion and there was no effort to reach decisions or conclusions."

Official sources said divergencies between the two delegations were "very narrow."

President Eisenhower and Sir Anthony Eden were reported to be in complete agreement in their appraisal of the Soviet Union's new policies since Geneva.

A spokesman for the Anglo-American delegations said the President and Sir Anthony Eden exchanged views on Moscow's recent moves throughout the world at their private lunch-time meeting.

Western Unity

They were also agreed to further the organisations designed to foster the unity of Western Europe, such as NATO, the OEEC and the coal and steel community.

The spokesman said that both Governments "continue to give full support" to them.

There was some discussion on the exchange of messages last week between President Eisenhower and the Soviet Premier, Marshal Bulganin, in which a Soviet offer of a 20-year friendship pact was rejected by Washington.

Atomic Energy

The spokesman said Sir Anthony Eden reiterated his public declaration that he considered President Eisenhower's reply to Marshal Bulganin's proposal as "admirable." He further indicated that "complete agreement" existed between the British and the American views of the designs of Soviet policy since the failure of the Geneva meeting last August.

It appeared evident from the subjects raised in connection with the European situation that the United States will seek more dynamic British participation.

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MPs' Plea For  
Easing Of  
Trade Embargo

London, Jan. 30. Several Labour MPs today suggested a relaxation in restrictions on trade with Communist China. One MP said a Western European state had recently sold a turbo-generator to China, and asked that British exporters be allowed to participate in this trade.

The Minister of State, Mr Anthony Nutting, pointed out that the generator referred to had not yet been exported and that the country in question was not a member of the committee of nations applying restrictions on trade with China.—France-Press.

Kenya Tragedy  
Disguised  
Policeman  
Shot Dead

Nairobi, Jan. 30. A 19-year-old British police officer, disguised as a Mau Mau gangster, was shot dead by a police patrol and farm guards although he shouted out four times in English and Swahili "Don't shoot us. We are Europeans," an inquest was told today.

BLACKENED FACE

The officer, who was in the police field intelligence, was Donald Bellingham, a native of Wolverhampton, England, and the adopted son of Captain W. C. Bellingham of Lumbwa, Kenya.

Goan Killed In  
Ambush

Goa, Jan. 30. One Goan was killed and two others seriously injured when 25 Indians allegedly disguised as Portuguese police opened fire on them, it was announced today. The victims were Goan miners riding from Sanquelim to Pernem in an official jeep. They were ambushed in a wood last night near the Indian frontier.—United Press.

Death Sentence

Nicosia, Jan. 30. A 22-year-old Cypriot Greek, Andreas Demetriou, was sentenced to death today after being found guilty of firing a pistol at a British, Sidney Taylor, in Famagusta last November.

He is the first man to be sentenced to death under the emergency regulations.—France-Press.

Thousands Jobless Due To Strike

Melbourne, Jan. 30. The National Executive of the Australian Council of Trade Unions and the Federal Government are both meeting tomorrow to discuss the nationwide strike of 24,000 dockers which is slowly paralyzing industry. Thousands are unemployed because of shortages of materials and inter-state shipping caused by the strike, which entered its second week today.

The Government is not expected to intervene directly in the situation unless it is convinced that only the sending of troops into the docks to move goods will get transport working again.

An Arbitration Court outlawed the strike last week, and ordered fines of up to £A500 for disobeying the ban.

The southern cities of Australia face a shortage of food, steel, building materials and many manufactured goods today. Brisbane, where employers plan to ask the State Industrial court for permission to stand down hundreds of staff now idle.—Reuter.

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BEST TIPS FOR  
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RACE 3	RACE 3
First Lady Quizette Queenpots Outsider:—Laddie.	Dillkosh Quizette First Lady Outsider:—Laddie.
RACE 4	RACE 4
Norse Girl Can Do Ambition Outsider:—Johnner.	New Jersey Norse Girl Knock-Again Outsider:—Gabriel Junks
RACE 5	RACE 5
Ben Nevis Norse King Billy Boy Outsider:—Dutch Rocket.	Billy Boy Ben Nevis Ever-Glo Outsider:—Norse King
RACE 6	RACE 6
Cheerful Diamond Dahlia Solar Knight Outsider:—Hollcon.	Cheerful Hollcon Solar Knight Outsider:—Fidra
RACE 7	RACE 7
Thanksgiving Day Dutch Courage Strathpeffer Outsider:—The Kangaroo.	Dutch Courage Thanksgiving Day Invincible Outsider:—Vagabond King
RACE 8	RACE 8
Misty Law King A Straight Forward Outsider:—Super-King.	Misty Law Super-King Norseman Outsider:—Eudora.
RACE 9	RACE 9
Congratulation Green Velvet Thunder Sky Outsider:—Fair Play.	Congratulation Eudora Green Velvet Outsider:—Sky Is Limit
RACE 10	RACE 10
Tip Top Ecstasy Fighting Spirit Outsider:—Bengal Lancer.	Full Ahead Ecstasy Bengal Lancer Outsider:—Tip Top

TOMORROW'S TEASER TIP

for the 4th race  
We hope that no one will do it to our selection  
The teaser tip for the last meeting was Jingle Bell which won and paid a dividend of \$9.00.

Japan To Pay \$10 Million  
Compensation To Dutch

The Japanese Government will pay the Netherlands \$10 million compensation for the hardships undergone by Dutch subjects in Japanese camps during World War II, the Dutch Foreign Ministry spokesman announced today.

The compensation will be paid in sterling in five yearly instalments, the Foreign Ministry announcement said.

Agreement was reached between the two countries on the basis of letters exchanged after Holland signed the 1951 San Francisco peace treaty with Japan.

The announcement recalled that the peace treaty did not provide for compensation for civilians, only for prisoners of war.

The former Dutch Foreign Minister Mr. D. U. Stikker, concluded a "gentleman's agreement" on this problem with Japan before the peace treaty was signed.

The present agreement on "hardship money" has been reached after four years of diplomatic negotiations.—Reuter.



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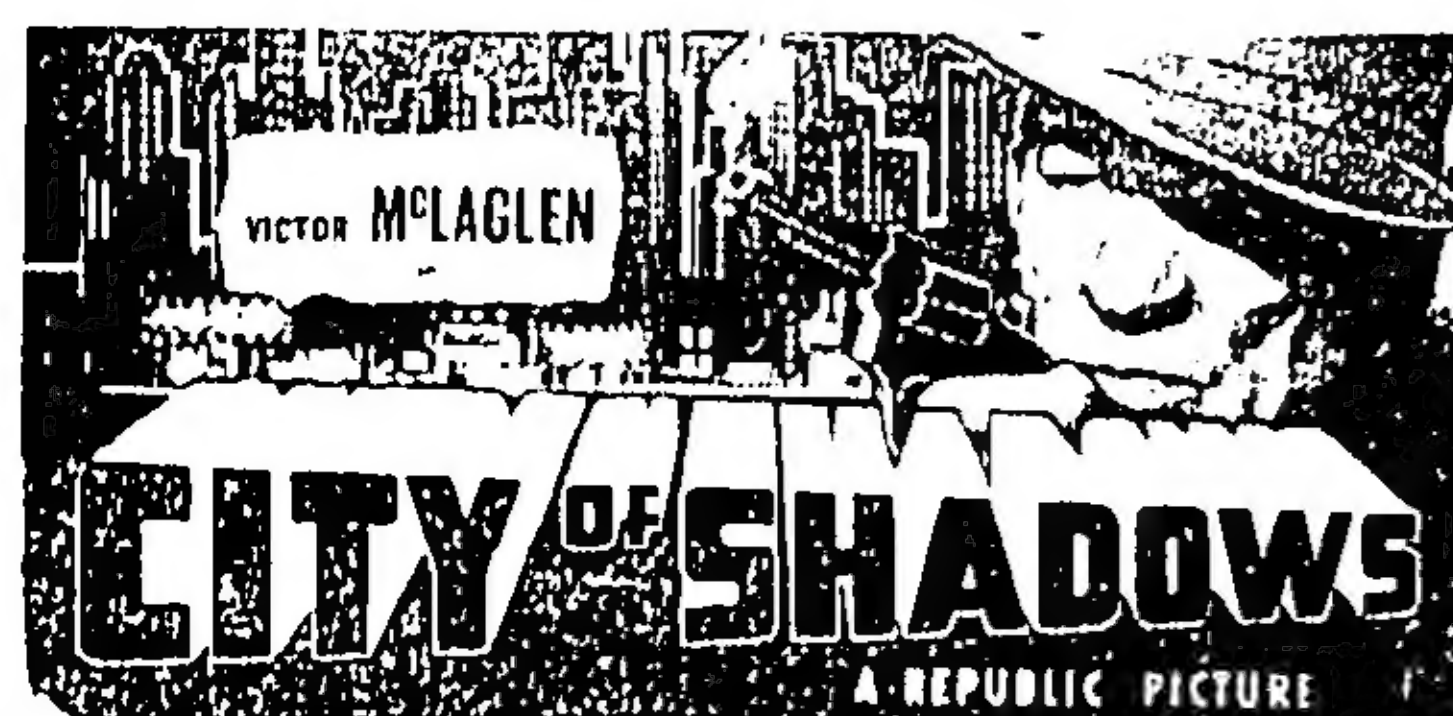
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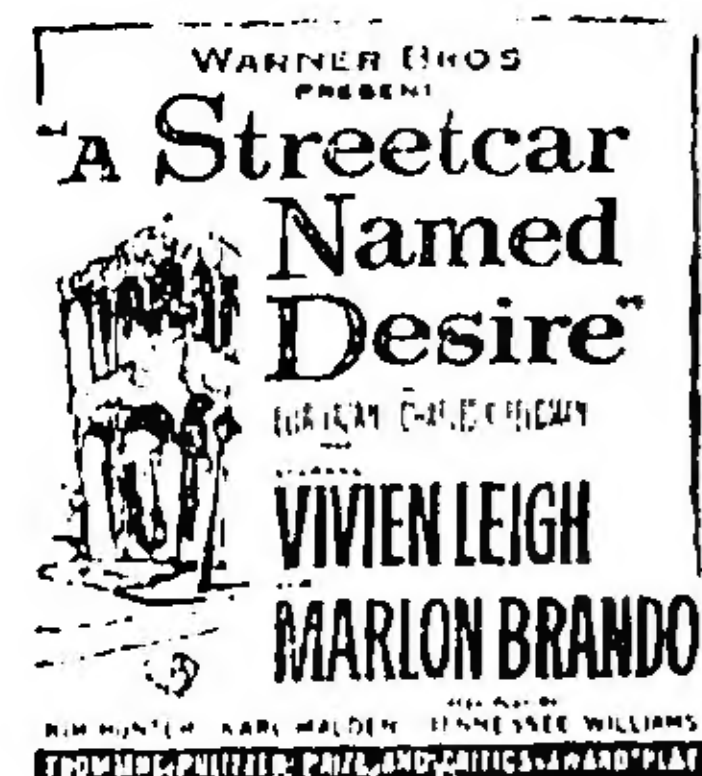
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# INDIAN LINGUISTIC STATES PLAN AN ERROR

## Nehru's Admission

New Delhi, Jan. 30.

The Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, admitted today that he "erred" in trying to break up India into linguistic States.

The plan has set off bloody riots throughout the sub-continent. The Prime Minister appealed to India's millions not to let linguistic differences disrupt the nation's unity and progress.

He addressed a packed public meeting on the eighth anniversary of the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi. He warned that the violence which has met the government's proposals would lead only to ruin.

resigned today, protesting against the government's decision to put the city under Federal administration.

### Break Apart

As he spoke, police swooped down on anti-government demonstrators across the tense capital in an effort to head off a repetition of the Bombay riots, in which 200 died earlier this month.

### Bombay Quiet

Police broke up an illegal 12-day demonstration in Poona protesting against the government's plan to separate Bombay from the proposed Maharashtra State. Two women and 24 men were arrested.

Bombay itself was quiet. Heavy police patrols held the city in a virtual state of siege. Four leading radicals were arrested early today.

S. M. Joshi, president of the Maharashtra Praja Samitis, warned "Democracy is fighting the grip of growing forces of dictatorship represented by the Congress (Nehru's) Party."

Another 17 members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation

## 2nd Afro-Asian Conference Postponed

Cairo, Jan. 30.

The second meeting of the Bandung Afro-Asian conference which was to have been held in Cairo in June next, has been postponed indefinitely, it was learned here today.

An authoritative source stated here today that the conference would be held during the winter of 1956-1957 only "if the world situation requires it."

If the meeting is held, it will take place in Cairo as planned.

The same source said the postponement was due to objections raised by certain member states.

He added that they considered that a second conference in the present circumstances could only repeat the resolutions passed by the first conference held in Indonesia last April.—France-Press.

## Unification Of Indonesian And Malay

Singapore, Jan. 31.

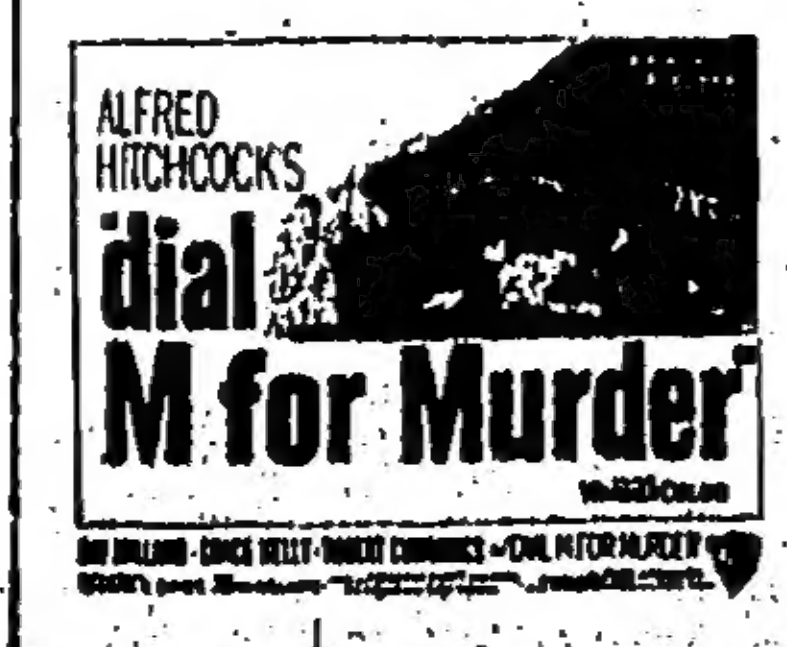
A committee to investigate ways and means to unify the Malay and Indonesian languages has been appointed by the Malay Language Society of the University of Malaya.

A Pan-Malayan Malay language congress will be held some time in June to discuss a memorandum the committee is to prepare.

Later the memorandum may be discussed by the Malayan and Indonesian governments.—Reuter.

## MAJESTIC

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& 9.30 p.m.



## PARIS FOLIES STORM

## Diplomatic Discussions Held In Italy

Rome, Jan. 30.

The scheduled arrival in Rome on February 1 of the Paris "Folies Bergere" show, famed for its gorgeous nudes has provoked a "diplomatic discussion" between the State of Italy and the Vatican City.

The Vatican newspaper, Osservatore Romano has attacked the pending presentation of the show, which is now playing in Naples, and the Vatican has officially protested that the performance of the Folies in Rome would violate the letter and spirit of the Treaty of Latran.

This treaty, signed on February 11, 1929, by Benito Mussolini for Italy and Cardinal Gasparri, for the Vatican, declared that the Italian state would guarantee "the sacred character of Rome."

### Window Scene

Vatican officials object particularly to two scenes in the Folies show. One is of a stained glass window of the Vatican church, Notre Dame, whose figures suddenly come to life and turn into ravishing, scantily-clad young ladies.

The second scene is of a group of beautiful fishermen who are transformed into nuns.

The Italian sponsors of the show declared that the appearance of the "Folies" would mark the "official visit of a French show, with the backing of the French government."

The French government forthwith expressed its regrets, but declared that the show was not official, since many of the "Folies" performers are non-French and are travelling on the passports of their respective countries.

### Not In Bible

The controversy continues, with supporters of the show declaring that there is nothing in the Bible against nudity, and its opponents calling the show a blasphemy.

Meanwhile, seats for the show here have been sold out for a month in advance.—France-Press.



Princess Margaret was on hand last Thursday to attend the London premiere of the film "Helen of Troy." Picture is a lavish spectacle, has an international cast, is based on an original script by a man named Homer.—Express Photo.

## French Antarctic Expedition Ship Leaves Base

Paris, Jan. 30.

The French scientific expedition to the Antarctic has landed 250 tons of food and equipment in French Adelle Land, despite high winds and driving snow, and the expedition ship has left the base for Tasmania, it was learned here today.

French Adelle Land is almost opposite the British expedition base of Vahsel Bay, on the other side of the Antarctic Continent.

The French expedition vessel Narsel left the French base last week for Hobart, Tasmania, where it is expected early in February.

While carrying out sounding and charting operations on the west coast of Adelle Land it was obstructed by pack ice at 138 degrees longitude and had to change course.

Fourteen members of the expedition are remaining in Adelle Land. They have already completed the foundations of two big metal buildings which will be used for scientific research.—China Mail Special.

## Lady Churchill To Visit Ceylon

London, Jan. 30.

Lady Churchill is to visit Ceylon next month.

Her arrangements are not yet complete but it was stated at her London home today that she hopes to sail about the middle of February.—France-Press.

## Queen Attends Garden Party

Lagos, Jan. 30.

Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh joined 1,200 guests at a garden party on the lawns of Government House here tonight, at the end of a day of uproarious noise, colour, and pageantry.

Turbaned chiefs and emirs from the Moslem north, and leaders of the Yoruba and Ibo peoples, in peacock-coloured robes, made a dazzling background to the climax of the third and busiest day of the Royal Nigerian tour.

### Moved Slowly

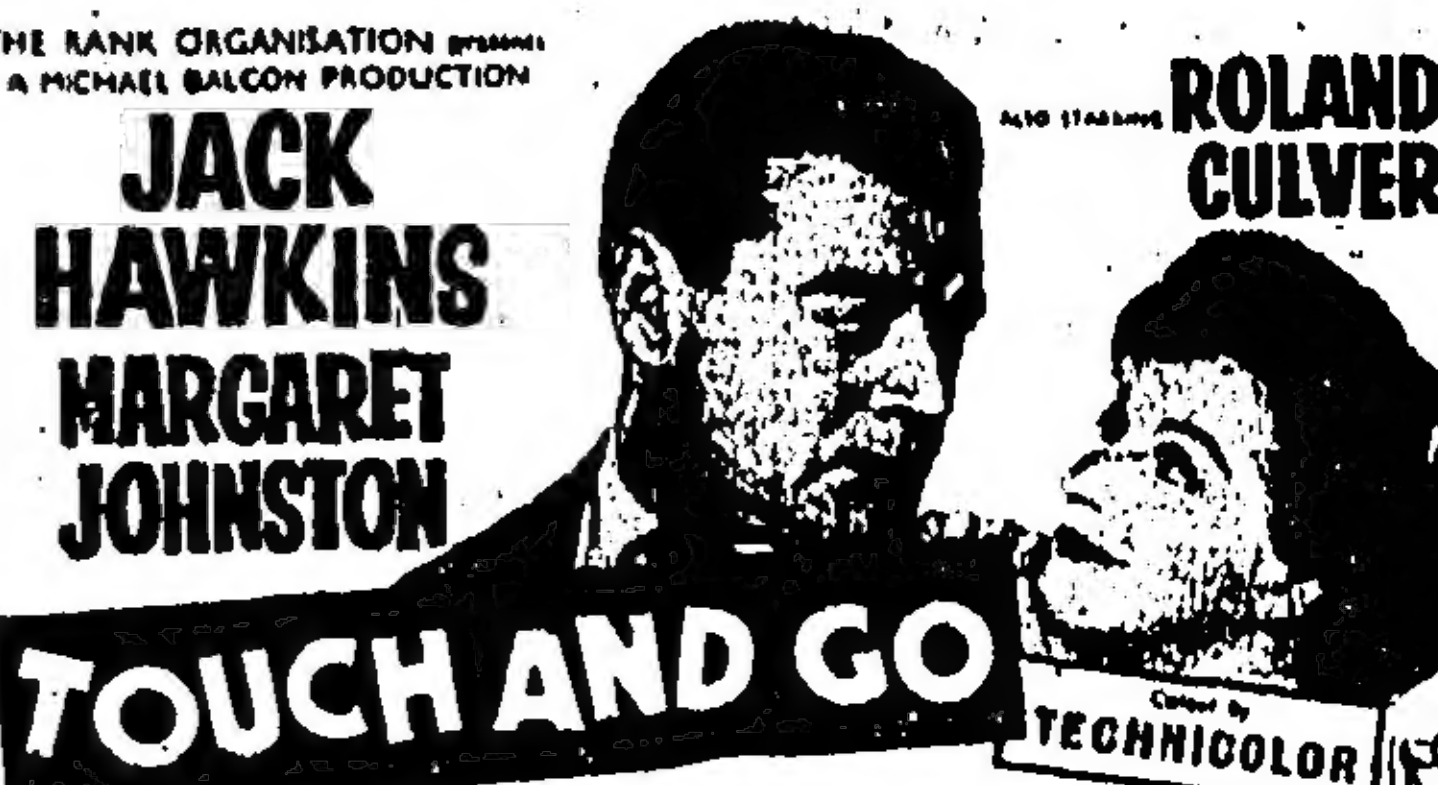
The Queen and Duke paused on the white stone garden steps of Government House as police trumpeters sounded a fanfare on silver trumpets.

Then, preceded by the Royal Standard borne by former re-

# QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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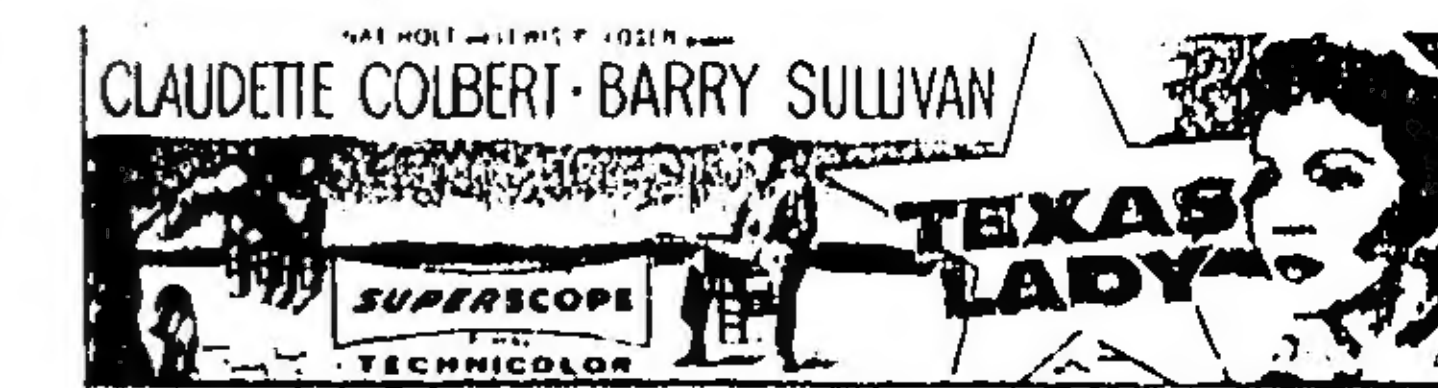
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# French Army Units Hunt Rebel Band In Mountains

Rabat, Jan. 30.

Air-supported French Army columns rumbled into the Rif mountains today to smash rebel bands trying to coax restive Berber tribes into a full-scale rising.

Several armour-tipped units, guided by warplanes, roamed the Taza region, 150 miles east of here, in an effort to root out a 300-strong rebel band attempting to spread the guerilla war into the Fez province.



Gen. Mansergh

## Gruenther's Tribute To Mansergh

Paris, Jan. 30. General Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, paid tribute to the work of Britain's General Sir Robert Mansergh, retiring Commander-in-Chief of Allied forces in Northern Europe and former Hongkong commander.

General Gruenther said during a ceremony at Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers, Europe (SHAPE) that SHAPE defences in its northern command of Norway and Denmark had "improved very significantly" during General Mansergh's stay there.

General Mansergh, who has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of United Kingdom Land Forces, has been replaced in Northern Europe by General Sir Cecil Sadden, former British commander in Hongkong. — China Mail Special.

## Iraq Faithful To Bagdad Pact

Bagdad, Jan. 30.

The Iraqi Foreign Minister, Mr Burhanudin Bashayan, promised today that Iraq would remain faithful to the Bagdad defence pact to defend "the Middle East including the Arab states, against foreign aggression."

But the Minister emphasised today that Iraq would also continue her traditional policy of friendship for all Arab nations. "I am sure that our Arab brothers will realise our true attitude in the long run, despite alleged differences," he said.

He was replying in the Senate to questions by members of the Finance Committee. Iraq's membership in the Bagdad Pact, which links her with Britain, Turkey, Pakistan and Persia, has been strongly criticised by some other Arab states.

### Never Changed

Mr Bashayan said: "Our attitude towards Egypt will always remain friendly. This policy has never changed, either before we concluded the Bagdad mutual defence pact or after. I am most certain that some day this fact will be understood."

He continued: "I am sure that the Bagdad Pact's critics will sooner or later realise the benefits and importance of the pact." — Reuter.

## New Cyprus Airfield Operational

Nicosia, Jan. 31.

The newest Royal Air Force airfield, destined to be one of the RAF's major bases in the Eastern Mediterranean, comes into operational use today.

It is at Akrotiri on the south coast of Cyprus, a few miles southwest of Limassol, and will form part of the strategic bulwark of the island. The new airfield's 3,000 yard east-west runway can take the fastest and heaviest of modern aircraft, including atom bombers.

The airfield stands almost at sea level, and there are no geographical hazards to interfere with all-weather round-the-clock operation. Work began on Akrotiri airfield in the middle of 1954. Its cost has not been officially revealed, but runs to over £5 million sterling. — Reuter.

## Working CAT Gets Rise In Salary

Port Elizabeth, Jan. 30.

Felicity, the sleek black cat which is Port Elizabeth's official rat and mouse catcher, has been given a rise—because of the increase in the cost of living.

The cat, which has kept the City Hall basement free of rats and mice for more than four years, gets paid every Saturday morning when an official of the town clerk's department draws the money from petty cash and buys a supply of meat.

The weekly wage has gone up from two shillings and sixpence to three shillings. — China Mail Special.

## Lower Insurance Rates For Non-Drinkers

Toronto, Jan. 30.

Non-drinking drivers in Hamilton, Ontario, may soon be offered motor car insurance at reduced rates.

The Abstinence Insurance Company of Simcoe, which had received a provincial government charter and would apply for a licence from the Ontario Insurance Department. It hopes to sell policies from next summer at rates about 15 per cent below those offered by other car companies. — China Mail Special.

Cairo, Jan. 30.

Supply Minister Gamal Abdel Mawla, 57, died today of complications after an appendectomy. He was the only Coptic member of the Cabinet, and officials expected Prime Minister Gamal Abdel Nasser to appoint another Copt to replace him. — United Press.

## What To Do?

London, Jan. 30. A notice reading "What to do in case of fire" was the only thing left after a blaze gutted a joinery shop at Mickley, Northumbria. — China Mail Special.

## Cretan Guard For Greek Palace

Athens, Jan. 30.

A colourful corps of Cretan guards has been added to the traditional unit of Evzones guards at the Greek Royal Palace in Athens.

The new recruits, clad in Cretan folk dress, provide a bright contrast to the Evzones guards, whose uniform includes a white kilt and a red fez. The Cretans also have a red fez, but have blue knee-length breeches made of costly woollen material, known as the Cretan "vraki".

### Waistcoat

A small waistcoat of white wool tops the breeches, and a blue waistcoat covers the white one. Their boots are knee-high, of white buckskin.

The Cretans have a second uniform not worn on official occasions, in which the blue knee breeches are replaced by black ones and the white boots by black boots.

The Cretan guards will alternate in guard duties outside the Royal Palace with the Evzones. — China Mail Special.

## HER HEART ON WRONG SIDE

Buenos Aires, Jan. 30. Annemie Venter, aged five, of Hoopstad, Orange Free State, has her heart on the wrong side. She is the adopted daughter of Mrs J. A. Venter, who discovered it while giving Annemie a bath.

The child is happy and healthy, and proud of having a heart on the right. It gives her prestige among her small friends. — China Mail Special.

### Urgent Measures

Incomplete reports indicated that at least 124 persons died on Saturday and Sunday in Morocco and Algeria.

Premier Si Bekkal's Nationalist Cabinet studied urgent measures to help the French Army's struggle against the extremist outlaws. A closed Cabinet session was held under Sultan Mohammed ben Youssef last night.

The Sultan and his Ministers were reported anxious to end the growing rivalry between the two major nationalist parties, Istiqlal and PDI (Democratic Independence).

Several Moroccans died in clashes between supporters of the two movements recently. Today, anonymous tracts were distributed in the holy city of Fez, calling on the Moroccans to rally behind the Sultan and abolish all political factions.

### Prisoners Released

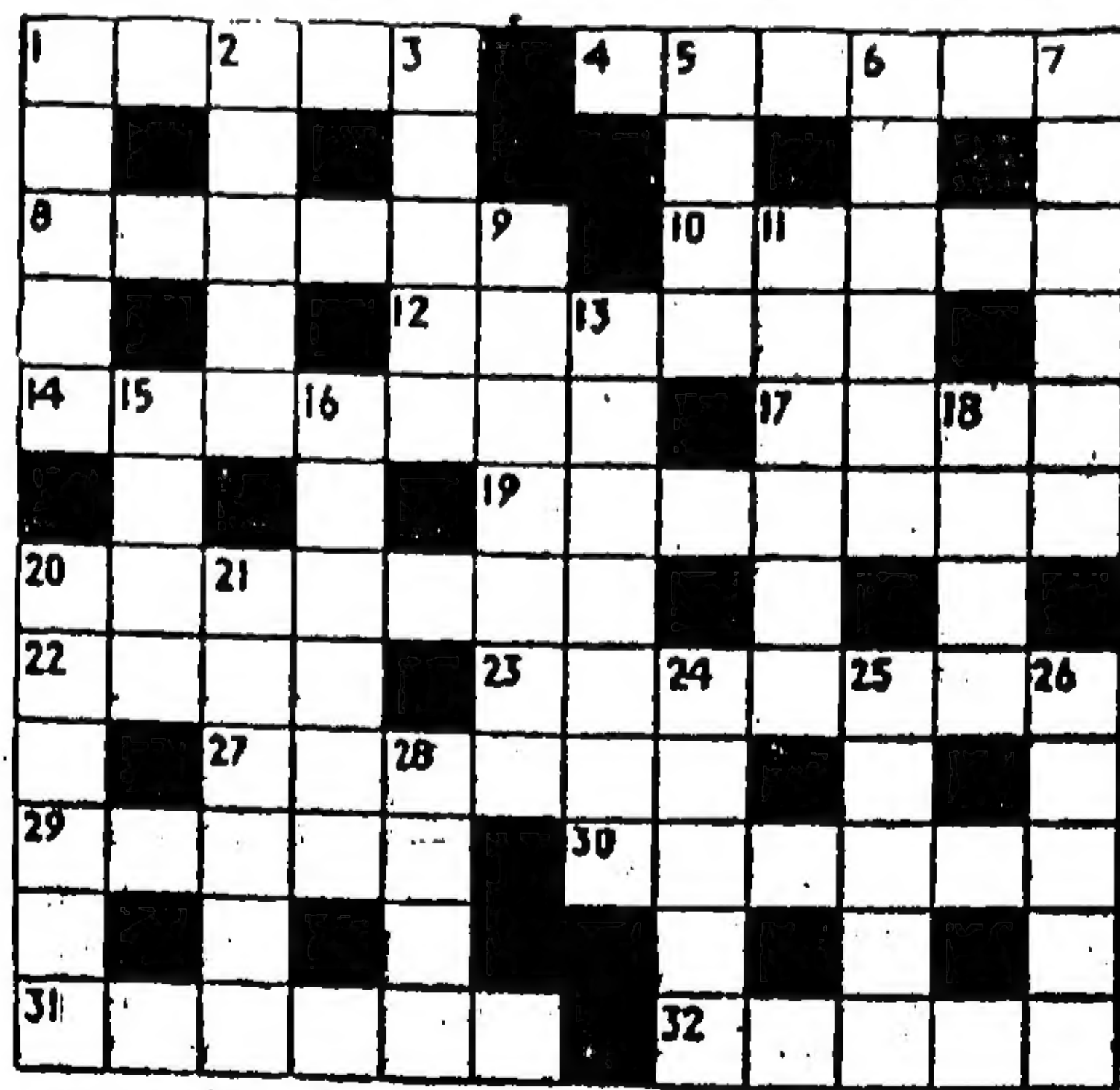
In an attempt to win the natives' sympathy, the French released 30 political prisoners serving hard labour terms up to 20 years at Fort Lyneux.

On Saturday, 22 political prisoners were freed in Rabat. Less than 300 prisoners are believed still held in French custody and they too will be granted amnesty soon, according to informed sources. — United Press.

## Crocodile Forecaster

Brisbane, Jan. 30. A tame crocodile, kept as a weather prophet by bushmen in northern Queensland, has proved right again. She correctly forecast the coming of the monsoon rains a week in advance by building her nest and laying a clutch of eggs. Her captors say that her forecasts are infallible. — China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Jobs of work (5).
  - Unbroken (5).
  - Term (6).
  - Get up (6).
  - Reposed (6).
  - Vie with (7).
  - Grand (4).
  - Charged with crime (7).
  - Please (7).
  - Warmth (4).
  - Freedom from work (7).
  - Proposals of health (6).
  - Kind of terror (6).
  - Attempts (6).
  - Tensions (6).
  - Pitfalls (6).

- DOWN
- Subject (5).
  - Scrimmage (5).
  - Scratch (5).
  - Tidy (4).
  - Dwells (6).
  - Abounded (6).
  - Particulars (7).
  - Happens again (6).
  - Hide (7).
  - Wind instrument (4).
  - Clergyman (6).
  - Expensive (4).
  - Holds up (6).
  - Quota (6).
  - Offspring (6).
  - Custom (6).
  - Roller (6).
  - Adversely (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3 Parasols, 8 Halt, 9 Ruminant, 11 Consumed, 13 Port, 15 Mastered, 18 Sheraton, 19 Feat, 21 Embarked, 24 Enfolded, 26 Sort, 27 Treating, Down: 1 Chis, 2 Blat, 4 Aram, 5 Avid, 6 Ovary, 7 Scout, 9 Tales, 10 Males, 13 Caste, 14 Shove, 16 Rhomb, 17 Knead, 18 Feet, 20 Lull, 21 Lull, 24 Lull, 25 Keen, 26 Debt.

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### WHAT MAKES THE "ANTI-TAX NAPOLEON" TICK?

# THE POWER BEHIND PIERRE POUJADE

By Stephen Coulter

A SHORT, strongly-built, housewife woman of 33 with a frank smile and a taste for pendant earrings and white wool berets, is causing more intrigued talk over the coffee cups in France at this moment than Grace Kelly or a bevy of duchesses.

She is Yvette Poujade, wife of Pierre Poujade, the "anti-tax Napoleon" who shook France with his two and a half million election votes. Yvette Poujade is now appearing as the Grey Eminence behind the spectacular rise—and as many people think, the dangerous rise—of the Poujade Movement.

The French are already calling Yvette "the new Pissinaria"—after Dolores Ibarruri, the fiery Spanish revolutionary of the thirties. In one sense they are wrong. Unlike Dolores, Yvette Poujade is no obvious firebrand, no violently-coloured, rubble-rousing personality with the gift of setting mass meetings ablaze. She is almost icily calm. She is unhurried, methodical.

She looks almost humdrum, unimaginative, homely. But the authentic Pissinaria fire is there—inside. So is vivid imagination and extreme astuteness. Without her, Poujade could not have sent 53 of his followers storming into Parliament with a rumbly that is rocking the French republican State to its foundations.

#### Hard going

YVETTE Poujade was born in Algeria of well-off French settler parents. She had an excellent education (better than her husband's, he scarcely rose above primary classes) and when the Americans landed in North Africa, joined the Free French Forces as a nurse. Although only a young girl, she was already, in her quiet way, beginning to have strong feelings about politics, about French "rights" in North Africa, about the "guilty men" who had led France to disaster, about the Jews and her own "Napoleonic" ideas on the need for a tough French nationalism.

When Pierre Poujade, escaping through Spain from his home of St. Germain, southern France, to join de Gaulle, met her in Algiers, he must have realised at once that she was an exceptional woman. They were both transferred to Free French H. Q. in Britain and married in London. Pierre managed to get a letter smuggled to his old friend M. Gaillard, in St. Germain, "I've married a wonderful girl. I'm ready to die for her."

Back in St. Germain, the war over, the Poujades found life hard going. Pierre Poujade had already had many jobs—local snake-billie, typesetter, hattermaker, grape-picker, wine-merchant. His force was scanty. Now he had to pick up

anything he could get. At last, with Yvette's aid, he opened a tiny bookstall-stationer's shop. It paid so badly—and children had come meanwhile—that he had to supplement earnings by driving a local taxi, printing postcards, touring the countryside as salesman for different firms.

But all the time, Yvette had been quietly observing, thinking and planning and at this point she stepped in. "This is not the life for us," she told Poujade. "We must go into local politics."

#### First spark

POUJADE was staggered when he was elected municipal councillor. Not so Yvette; she knew her man and what she wanted. She was behind him when he defiantly bolted his shop door to the tax inspector. Her ideas pushed him to encourage other shopkeepers to do likewise—and thus struck the first spark that was to send

the noisy, rampaging Poujade movement sweeping through France. She sat up until all hours in the uncomfortable Poujade home working with organisers, calling meetings, planning the next step.

A year ago, when the movement seemed to be dying on its feet, it was she again who took a bold decision and urged her husband "Keep your ideas big. We must go into national politics." At this time, Poujade himself was publicly scorning such notions, roundly denying he wanted anything to do with Parliament "and its rotten clique."

Yvette knew better. Tirelessly she sat behind him on every election platform; she was at his elbow constantly throughout the fearfully exhausting campaign all over the country. Again Poujade was staggered as he heard early election results giving his men a dozen seats. When Yvette had noted down 52 Poujadists elected, she merely smiled, lay back in the car in which they were travelling to Paris, and slept quietly.

Yvette is now the shrewd, mistrustful, fiercely opinionated and tireless guide to this "union of malcontents." She is the one political adviser who never leaves her husband's side. She thinks of everything—from high politics to clean linen. When Poujade steps down in a sweat-bath after haranguing a mass meeting, Yvette is there personally to hand him towel, dry shirt, fresh tie.

#### Quick-witted

DOES he look as if he needs a drink, a shave? None of his pugilist bodyguards dares to suggest them. Like a clever boxer's manager, Yvette knows what he wants, when he wants it, if it is to be orange juice, grog, tea or coffee—and exactly how hot. Poujade reaches out and takes it automatically—like her advice.

Between two rushed meetings she prepares the inhaling treatment that he takes to spare his

voice. Ten minutes later she is drafting a manifesto, an hour after that writing a vitriolic article for the movement's paper coloured by anti-Semitism and xenophobia, and going on from there to note and type out the minutes of a committee gathering.

It is she who decided Poujade to launch his movement in North Africa and the French overseas possessions. It is she who coins his clever slogans like, "The great man of the part look starts to you, because you are on your knees," and "The poor need their Napoleon."

This quick-witted woman with the slightly protruding teeth dresses quietly, mostly in black, often wears a religious cross on a gold chain round her neck and has put two of her four children (three boys, one girl) into a Catholic school.

Not without reason does Poujade say "She saved my life." There is no doubt that the personality of Yvette Poujade will be behind many things happening in France in the days to come.

# IT'S ALL A MATTER OF WORDS

By

Alexander Broad

Washington  
THE American public and Lewis Carroll's Humpty Dumpty have one belief in common: In the matter of words "the question is who's to be the master?"

Words, however, have a way of getting their own back.

If you decide that powdered beef bone shall henceforth be called "panacium" and proclaimed the wonder ingredient in tooth powders, you will very soon find yourself believing that powdered beef bone does have miraculous powers.

And so it is with the new phrase—"soil bank."

The fact of the matter is that the U.S. is producing more food than is good for the country. And, paradoxically, since surpluses tend to depress world prices the U.S. is producing more food than is good for the world—even, it seems, a hungry world like this.

#### LEAST PAINFUL

So the U.S. Government must persuade farmers to produce less. That means growing less—taking land out of use.

The quickest and least painful way of doing the job is to pay farmers for not growing food.

So both President Eisenhower and his Democratic opponents are proposing to pay farmers for leaving their land idle.

If, however, you told the taxpayer that farmers were going to be paid for not farming there would be an uproar. Why not pay bricklayers for not laying bricks? Or journalists for conscientiously staying away from their typewriters?

Hence the phrase "soil bank."

Soil which is in the "bank" will be soil that is not growing anything. And for every such acre the farmer will receive a gift from the Government.

The implication of the phrase "soil bank" is that the land will be in storage, getting richer. Now it is true that there are large areas of the U.S. where land is overworked. Some of these areas formed the famous "dust bowl" in the 1930s.

And the public can, perhaps, be made to believe that such land will profit handsomely from its rest.

#### CHANGED CROPS

Actually, however, much of the land "rested" will not be this kind of land at all. And much of it will be land that would profit more from having its crops changed than from having a rest—some plants, after all, put into the soil what others take out.

Perhaps if the farmers "resting" their soil, invested their payments in fertilizer or in precautions against erosion or in irrigation projects where such measures are useful, something would be achieved.

Alas, the payments are designed to cover a part of the profit the farmer would have made by growing something. That profit is what he lives on. Which leaves the soil about where it came in . . .

Nevertheless, it is fairly certain that the American taxpayer will come to regard the "soil bank" as another great American achievement.

Now who is master—the man or the words?

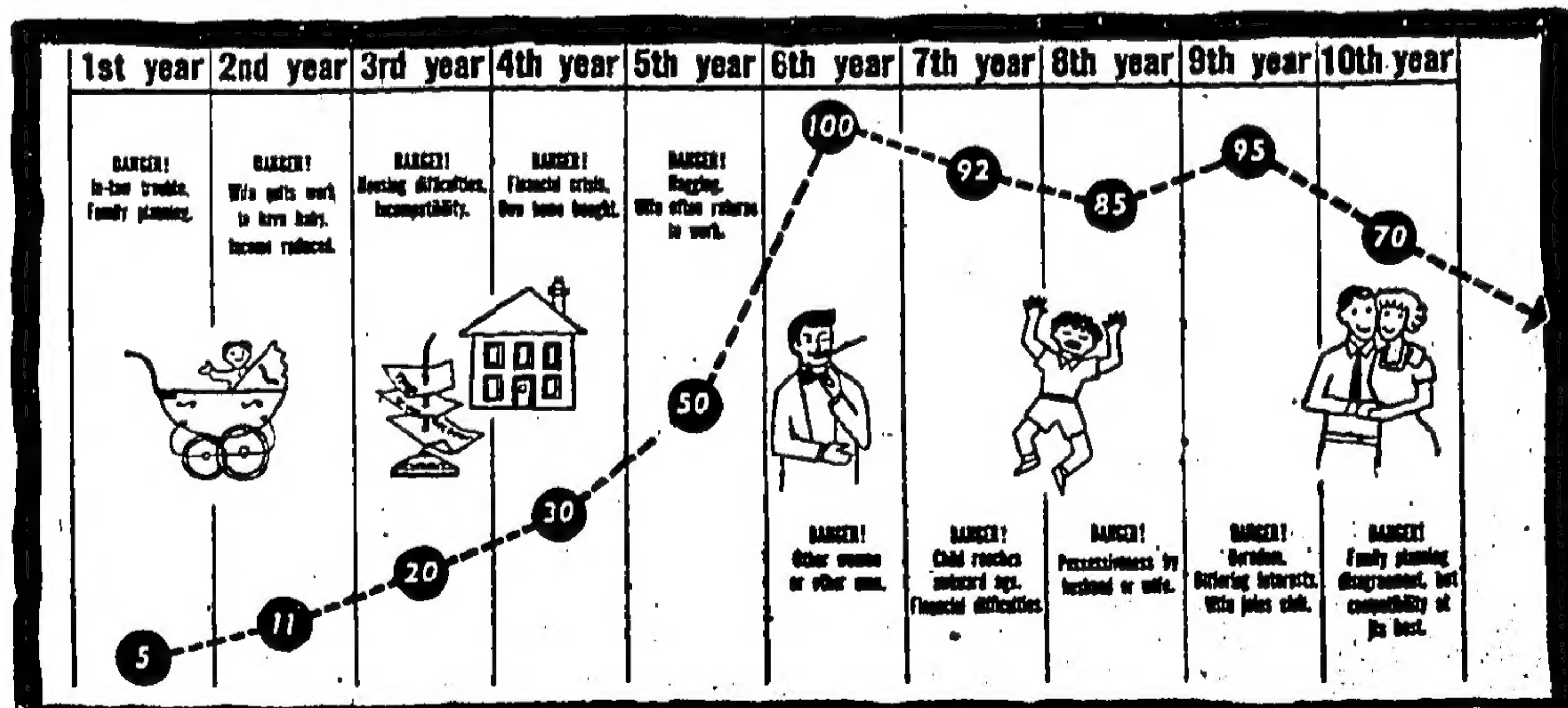


CHART SPECIALLY DRAWN BY MICHAEL RAND

# IT'S THE SIX-YEAR ITCH

WHEN A MARRIAGE IS MOST LIKELY TO GO CRACK  
—REVEALED BY AN EXPERT'S ANALYSIS

By JOHN LAMBERT

LOOK at the chart above. It is based on a new analysis of what makes a marriage go wrong given me by Mr John Wallis, of the Marriage Guidance Council.

It shows not only what makes a marriage go wrong, but how long the break-up takes to come. See how the "danger units" soar and reach their peak in the SIXTH year.

Mr Wallis, who has trained 450 experts for the Marriage Guidance Council, says:

"It takes TEN YEARS to make a marriage because it takes that long for two people really to know each other as man and wife."

His opinion is backed by the other experts who have checked on marriages during the last ten years.

Just the age of the bride may decide success or failure. For post-war marriages statistics prove that the younger the bride the bigger the risk of breakdown.

If the bride is between 23 and 27 the chances of her

marriage breaking down are only one in 10. If she is between 19 and 22 the chances are one in ten. Under 19 they jump to one in four.

Decisions on whether or not they will have families will also affect their chances of success. For couples who have no children take a 20-1 risk on their marriage cracking.

One of the biggest factors in marriage break-up is the independence of women. Said Mr Wallis—21 years married, with four children: "Wives usually start off by keeping their jobs. But then this independent woman has after 10 years a marriage is made to last."

ing. Suddenly she imagines herself being reduced to a domestic drudge. . . . Trouble starts."

But the real danger years for any marriage are between the fifth and tenth anniversaries.

Explained Mr Wallis: "Those years are the real testing time. The child—who was so lovable as a baby, is growing into the awkward age. The home is demanding more and more money."

The husband realises all the responsibilities he has taken on, the wife knows how much she has sacrificed.

The danger then, another man, another woman. And after 10 years? "Marriages still break up," admitted Mr Wallis. "But often the reason is that the couples have not given those first 10 years a real chance."

"In 99 cases out of a hundred, after 10 years, a marriage is made to last."

POCKET CARTOON  
by OSBERT LANCASTER





## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

FISHERMEN all over the world are asking what is the special quality of the worms of Aberdeen, and why Americans cannot use the native product for bait.

I foresee that if the worm industry becomes an important item in our export trade, scientists will be called on to make faster worms, streamlined worms which will turn in a flash, instead of lolling about as though tomorrow would do, and then turning with instant disdain. As one of our new poets has well written:

O tiny serpent, brown  
Autumnal  
Symbol of lowly victory.  
You'll get us in the end!

So might an American fish  
sing to a Scots worm.

Tra-la-la!

THE report that, owing to a mix-up of films in a

cutting-room in Ceylon, one actress got the legs of another actress suggests glorious possibilities. I see the gunman about to kiss a girl with the head of a rhinoceros. "Aw, gee, baby, what's gotten into you?"

### In passing

MANY restless and unimaginative people will have been made despondent or angry by the Astronomer Royal's refusal to take all the nonsense about "space-travel" seriously. The scientists have already yapped at his heels. I have read that an American agency is selling tickets for the first trips to the moon, and a man in Dorset has applied for a licence to open a public house "on the warm side of Mars." By the way, what a heck the space maniacs would get if they arrived in the moon and found that egg-shaped monsters in aluminium clothes, but hordes of worried men in bowlers and felt hats rushing to catch the 8.43 to their dull work.

### The oil war

THE Book of Zanzibar, who was given £2,347,841 by the Omani of Gaboria for the Mt of Gaboria of the wells brought by the Omani of Smuk from the Habb of Kow, has issued a strong denial of the rumour that the wells in question are non-existent. Meanwhile the merger contemplated between Kradol and Unival has been postponed until the new about Naband Accoragor has blown over. The presence of Hector Korut-boulos and Nikki Apleros at Beaulieu may not be unconnected with the passage through the Straits of Gibraltar of an enormous fleet of tankers flying the flag of Gaboria.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

### Thrice-Told Tale Costly

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN North opened the bidding with one no-trump in today's hand he showed just about his full strength. This opening bid shows balanced distribution with 10 to 13 points in high-card strength. When a player has shown his full strength, he can sit back and let his partner do the work. If the partner fails to act, there may be a good reason for his silence.

When today's hand was played, South didn't hear his partner keeping quiet. North told his story a second time when he doubled two diamonds; and he told it a third time when he bid three spades. This time the ace fell.

The defender, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Glick of Miami Shores, Fla., picked the hand as clean as a whistle. This wasn't surprising, since both rank among America's foremost players.

Mrs. Glick opened the singleton club. Mr. Glick won with the ace and returned the nine of

NORTH (D)		WEST	EAST
♠ A Q J 10	♠ None	♠ K 5 3	♠ A K 6
♥ J 7 2	♥ A K 6	♥ Q 10 8 3	♥ A 9 8 5 4
♦ K 10	♦ A 9 8 5 4	♦ Q 7 3	♦ A 9 8 5 4
♣ K Q J 10	♣ None	♣ 8	♣ A 9 8 5 4

SOUTH		Both sides vul	
♠ 8 7 4 2	♠ 9 5 4	North	East
♥ 9 5 4	♥ 7 3 2	1 NT	2 ♠
♦ 6 2	♦ 7 3 2	Double	Pass
♣ 7 3 2	♣ 7 3 2	Pass	3 ♠
		Pass	3 ♠
		Pass	Pass
		Pass	Pass
		Opening lead—♠ 8	

clubs, choosing this card to request a return in a high-ranking suit.

Mrs. Glick ruffed and obediently returned a low heart. East won with the king and returned the four of clubs to ask for a return in a low suit. It was now clear that East had both of the red aces.

Mrs. Glick ruffed again and returned the queen of diamonds. Dummy put up the king, and East won with the ace. Now Mr. Glick carefully returned a diamond before trying to give his partner another club ruff. Mrs. Glick won with the jack of diamonds and just as carefully cashed the queen of hearts before leading to the ace of hearts.

This careful sequence of plays reduced South to his five trumps and left dummy with four trumps and a club. Now Mr. Glick led another club, allowing West to ruff with the king of spades.

Declarer made only dummy's four trumps, and the contract was thus set five tricks for a loss of 1,400 points. What more, even the honours didn't count, since the hand was played in a pair tournament. This was a very expensive thrice-told tale!

### CORD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: South: 1 NT, North: 2 NT, East: 3 NT, West: 4 NT. What do you do?

A—Bid one spade. You intend to jump to the spade suit. If North cannot respond to one spade, you will probably be one spade down to game.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: ♠ A K Q J 10, ♥ A K Q J 10, ♦ A K Q J 10, ♣ A K Q J 10. What do you do?

Answer: Tomorrow.

## This Funny World



## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

BORN today you have a tremendous store of quiet force which gives you a really powerful personality. You are ambitious and fascinating to those of the opposite sex and you do not always realize why it is that you are so attractive. This is especially true of you of the feminine sex—although the so-called "sterner" sex have a larger than usual proportion of personal magnetism.

The stars have also been kind in giving you artistic talents and you will be happiest in either music, art or literature. Many of you men may be drawn into politics at some time in your life, for you have the gift of the spoken word and are a persuasive public speaker.

You have natural money-making talents too, and it is likely that you will always have plenty of this world's wealth at your command. You are not fundamentally interested in money-making, but you have rather good luck in selecting projects that may be a line dividend.

Among those born on this date are: Pavlova, dancer; Rupert Hughes, and Zane Grey, authors; Henry W. Singer, educator; James G. Blaine, statesman; Eddie Cantor, comedian; Nathan Straus, merchant; William H. Sherwood, pianist; William A. Coffin, artist; James Hunsiker, critic; and Tallulah Bankhead, actress.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Your social schedule may be heavy but if you plan carefully you can fit everything in.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—This can be an excellent shopping day for you if you are hunting special bargains for the house.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—You may have things to do at home which call for your full attention. Get an early start.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If your work calls for handling mechanical tools be careful. Haste could cause an accident.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You may find that if you are in the building trades, there will be a slow-up.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—Romance can be bright today if you come to a definite understanding with the one you love.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Guard against the hazards today. Don't be careless with matches, especially with children around.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 22)—This can be an important day, for the stars are highly favoured. Get to work on a good idea.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—If at all possible, postpone a trip until a little later on in the month.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—At this point, it is better to make a compromise than to stay angry with a close friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you have to meet an adversary be calm and circumspect in all you say and do.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you must take either a long or a short trip you should find conditions highly favourable.

But they do not buy the glamorous nylon undies and nightdresses that attract other outside women.

Their favourites are woollies and good-weights, hard-wearing clothes—in the lower price range.

The general manager of the store said: "The number of Russian wives who

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# WOMANSENSE



CHINGALING is the name of this hat with the wide brim that is almost a parasol. One of the new "plateau" hats, it is in black and white.

—(London Express Service).

## A SECRET OF THE SOVIET EMBASSY HAS LEAKED TO ONE LONDON STORE

### FAVOURITE BUYS OF RUSSIAN WOMEN

A LONDON store has learned one of the secrets of the Soviet Embassy—the hip sizes of the embassy wives.

The store specialises in outsize women's wear—and wives from the embassy are among its best customers.

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## Diabetic Mothers

By W. W. BAUER, M.D.

I WAS driving on Chicago's outer drive, along the lake, and listening very casually to my radio. Then the programme changed, and I heard this fresh and slightly breathless young voice saying as if she could scarcely believe her own words, "Who would have thought that I could have a baby?"

She went on to tell, in her own words, how she had been discovered at the age of 16 to be a diabetic. How the world seemed to end for her then and there. How she had gone into the hospital and learned how to control her diet by weighing her food; how to take insulin injections; how to regulate her exercise in relation to her food intake and insulin dosage. She went on with her school work, feeling pretty well. She graduated from college. Then came the question of marriage and parenthood, which she had refused to face because she thought she knew the answer.

Forty years earlier, 35 years earlier—the doctors would not even have had to advise her, because a diabetic at age 16 rarely lived to the age of 25, when she faced her doctor and her future with this question—Date I marry? Dare I become a mother? Not until 1922 was there hope for the survival of the youthful diabetic for more than a few miserable, starving years. And not for some time after 1922 did sufficient evidence accumulate to give this woman, and others like her, the answer for which they yearned.

### MARRIAGE POSSIBLE

You may marry. You may have children. If you marry a non-diabetic in whose family there has been no diabetes, you need not be too apprehensive about possible diabetes in your children. This is the answer—but a condition goes with it.

The condition is that young women seeking marriage and motherhood despite their diabetes must have their disease well under control, and must have themselves under control.

The cheering fact is that many diabetic mothers can have healthy babies without undue risk to themselves.

No dietary lapses, no exercise neglected, no carelessness about regular and proper dosages of insulin, no "chance-taking," just this "once" violations of prescribed routine, for the diabetic mother. She is assuming a double burden and increased risk.

A diabetic woman approaching motherhood should not postpone her appointment with her doctor until she is actually pregnant. If she is giving her diabetes the care it ought to have, she is in touch with him regularly anyway. When motherhood is contemplated, the doctor should be told in advance. He will then be able to ascertain with certainty whether the woman's condition warrants the assumption of the risks. These have been greatly reduced in recent years, until diabetes alone is seldom the cause of a maternal death. Yet common prudence dictates every precaution to assure a living baby AND a living mother.

### AVOID RISK

The greatest risk in a diabetic pregnancy is loss of the baby and this can usually be avoided by careful attention to the three factors which are most important in diabetic control—diet, exercise and insulin. More babies are lost by mothers who are recently discovered diabetics or who become diabetic during pregnancy, than by those who have been diabetic for some time. The difference may lie in the greater experience with their disease, and living with it, in the latter group.

Diabetes is never a disease to be taken lightly. Insulin has transformed it from a killer into an annoyance for those who learn the rules and play by them without exception. But it still is a dangerous foe to the careless, the indifferent, or the scornful—to any who violate the simple but essential regulations. Pregnancy creates a special problem, but in the light of modern knowledge, this is not too difficult in most instances.

The cheering fact is that many diabetic mothers can have healthy babies without undue risk to themselves.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### An Unusual Post Office

—People Aren't the Only Ones Who Write Letters—

By MAX TRELL

"Did you hear the news?" chirped Sparrow said to Knarf and Hand. "Willy has just opened a Post Office!"

Willy was Willy Toad. As soon as Chirpie finished all the bread crumbs on the windowsill, Knarf and Hand; he, him show them the way to the spot where Willy had opened his Post Office.

### Strangest Thing

"It's the strangest thing I've ever heard of," Hand said to Knarf as they hurried down the path across the gardens, then over the garden wall into the wide-spread field that lay between the garden and the Pine Tree Grove where Willy lived.

By and by, Chirpie Sparrow stopped before an old oak tree that stood at the far side of the Pine Tree Grove. And there, hanging from a branch, was a sign reading: "Post Office."

### A Stamp Window

It was just like a regular post office. There was a writing desk on one side and a window on the other marked: "Stamp."

"There's Willy!" exclaimed Knarf.

"Howdy, folks!" said Willy from behind the window. "How many stamps will you have?"

Knarf and Hand explained that they didn't want any stamps. What they wanted was to have Willy come out and tell them how it happened that he had become a Postmaster of a Post Office.

"Just a moment," said Willy. Then he opened a door and invited them all to come in and see what went on in the back.

"See those bugs?" said Willy. "They're filled with letters."

He opened up one of the bags to show Knarf and Hand and Chirpie what the letters looked like.

"Why, they're not letters at all!" said Knarf in a surprised voice. "They're just dried leaves."

"There's where you're wrong," said Willy. "This isn't the ordinary every-day-in-the-week-kind of post office. Those leaves are really letters."

## Rupert and the New Boat—35



Rupert has now learned just how to control his strange new craft as it changes speed and swings at his touch. Having reached another part of the lake, he turns for his return journey when with a sudden crack the boat sinks and the boat plunges into the dark water. He is jerked forward on to his wheel, but does not hurt himself and at the same time, he can no longer cause any progress he wishes it off. "Help, help!" he shouts. "Can you give me a hand? The boat may sink, but I'm not very low!"

AL ALLEN'S ARTIST

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## ANNUAL RACE MEETING

# Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The second day's programme of the Annual Race Meeting commences at noon sharp tomorrow with 10 events to be contested. The Ladies' Purse and the Sports Club Cup will be the main attractions of the day.

Robert Tsai, who suffered an injury received as a result of a fall while riding John Halifax in the Telegraph Bay Handicap (Second Section) at the Fifth Race Meeting, has fully recovered and will be seen in action.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

## FIRST RACE

Northern Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

The opening event is confined to Class 7 ponies to be ridden by Novice jockeys. Atomic Caesar (Stur Liu) and Korrer (A. Truett) impressed me with good early morning gallops. I particularly liked the way the former was moving and my vote goes to the chestnut pony.

Free Success (H. K. Kwok) can give a severe if given a good start and Jimina P. (D. R. Benson) also can be very near in this.

## SECOND RACE

Valley Stakes (First Section): Six Furlongs.

The First Section of new Australian sals will fight out the issue in this race and judging from their training performances I strongly fancy City of Victoria (H. C. Phi) to win.

Man On (K. Kwok) is the next best bet, but it must be borne in mind that Rebel III (A. Truett) is a fast moving animal and if it can take the lead there will be no contest.

## THIRD RACE

Encouragement Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

The First Section of Class 9 ponies will battle out the finish in this race. I think this race is between First Lady (P. Plumby) and Quizzette (Lai Chun-fai). They have shown gradual improvement in morning workouts and can last the distance.

I like the chances of Laddie (A. Ostroumoff) too. This pony is in good condition and ready

to make amends for its failure in its last attempt under Allan Chan.

Quizzette (K. Kwok) continues to train in satisfying style and is worth following as an outsider.

## FOURTH RACE

Ladies' Purse: From 2-Mile Post.

This is the first important race of the day and is confined to Class 2 ponies. Looking over the entries, I like the chances of Norse Girl (M. Samarcq), Can Do (Lam King-tak), Ambition (K. Kwok) and Johnner (A. Ostroumoff).

Norse Girl won the Telegraph Bay Handicap (Second Section) with A. Ostroumoff up, carrying 145 lbs. It has been penalised by 5 lbs. 10.0 up to 154 lbs. as a result of this victory, but I don't think this will hinder its chances of scoring a win here.

Can Do is fighting fit at the moment and if Lam King-tak succeeds in getting it in front on the rise of the barrier it should be very near at the finish.

## FIFTH RACE

Valley Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

Ambition is a fast improving animal and will probably extend the above ponies. Johnner is the rank outsider in this event.

## SIXTH RACE

The Second Section of new Australian sals, will fight out the issue in this race and, judging from its second placing in the Hopetown Stakes (Third Section) on the first day of the Carnival, Ben Nevis (M. Samarcq) should come in first in this crowd.

Main challenge should come from Norse King (P. Plumby), which is quite at home over this distance and should not be ignored as it is being quietly tipped.

Then there is Billy Boy (H. K. Hung) to be considered as it is good over this distance and, given a good start, might cause an upset, while Dutch Rocket (H. H. Chan) is a fast improving pony and may probably extend the others.

SEVENTH RACE

Sports Club Cup: One Mile.

This is the second important event of the afternoon and is confined to Class 3 ponies. I don't think I will be far wrong in stating that Cheerful (P. Plumby) has the best recommendation for the premier position.

Diamond Dahlia (K. Kwok) may prove dangerous with Helicon (R. Tsai) also having a say in the matter. Solar Knight (Chen Poo) and Transcend (M. Samarcq) are also worth keeping in mind on account of their good form at the moment.

## EIGHTH RACE

Northern Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.

In this race for the second batch of Class 7 ponies over this distance, Thanksgiving Day (Robert Tsai) is the obvious choice for first place. I think that Dutch Courage (H. H. Chan) is the only other pony among the entries to challenge it.

For those who are looking for an outsider, I suggest The Kangaroo (Alex Lam), Stuntpuffer (P. Plumby) should not be overlooked.

## NINTH RACE

Strand Handicap: Six Furlongs.

Among the ponies running in this event, Misty Law (M. Samarcq) has the best recommendation for a win. Super King (H. K. Chung) is known to move fairly fast over a short distance and may turn out to be a dangerous proposition.

The third position should be fought out between King A (H. C. Phi) and Straight Forward (A. Ostroumoff).

## TENTH RACE

Phaeton Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.

Congratulations (P. Plumby) has a lovely chance to make amends for its failure in the Thurlies Handicap (First Section) at the Fourth Race Meeting over six furlongs in running second with W. K. Shieh up.

Green Velvet (K. Kwok) is, of course, the danger, and I expect to see it fighting out the finish.

Thunder Sky (M. Samarcq) is also in the race, judging from its improvement during morning gallops.

Fair Play (E. S. Wong) is the best outsider.

## ELEVENTH RACE

Phaeton Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.

The day's programme will be concluded with a race for the Second Section of Class 3 ponies. Tip Top (M. Samarcq) carrying top weight of 155 lbs., which may not be too much of a handicap in view of its win in the Clear Water Bay Handicap (Second Section) from the 1 1/2 mile post at the last meeting, carrying this same weight for Class 5 ponies, in 1.01-3/5 seconds. It certainly stands a good chance of winning again.

Excelsior (W. K. Shieh) is quite at home over this distance and should have a say here.

Fighting Spirit (T. L. Wong), although unplaced the last time out, is not bad over this distance and should not be treated lightly.

Beal Lancer (R. Tsai), with 150 lbs. to handle, is worth following for big money.

## NOTICE

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup Saturday, 4th February, 1956.

Over 800,000 tickets sold to date.

The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close on Friday, 3rd February, as follows:—

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon at 4.00 p.m.  
5, D'Agular Street at 5.00 p.m.  
Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road at 6.00 p.m.

The Draw will be held in the Public Betting Hall at the Race Course, at 10.15 a.m. on Saturday, 4th February, 1956.

By Order of the Stewards,  
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB  
SIXTH (ANNUAL) RACE MEETING

Saturday, 28th January, Wednesday 1st & Saturday, 4th February, 1956.

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 30 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon each day.

The Tiffin interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.) each day.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. each day.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

## SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Enclosure.

## CASH SWEEPS

Although Through Tickets cannot normally be purchased for each day of a Meeting unless there is an interval of at least five days between each day an exception is being made for the Annual Race Meeting. Through Cash Sweep Tickets, therefore, at \$20 each per day or \$60 for the three days of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Agular Street during normal office hours until 10.00 a.m. on each day of the Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for full race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 27th January will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from subscription lists without stating reasons for their action.

## SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup scheduled to be run on 4th February, 1956, at \$2.00 each, may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building (Chater Road), 5, D'Agular Street and 382, Nathan Road.

## TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

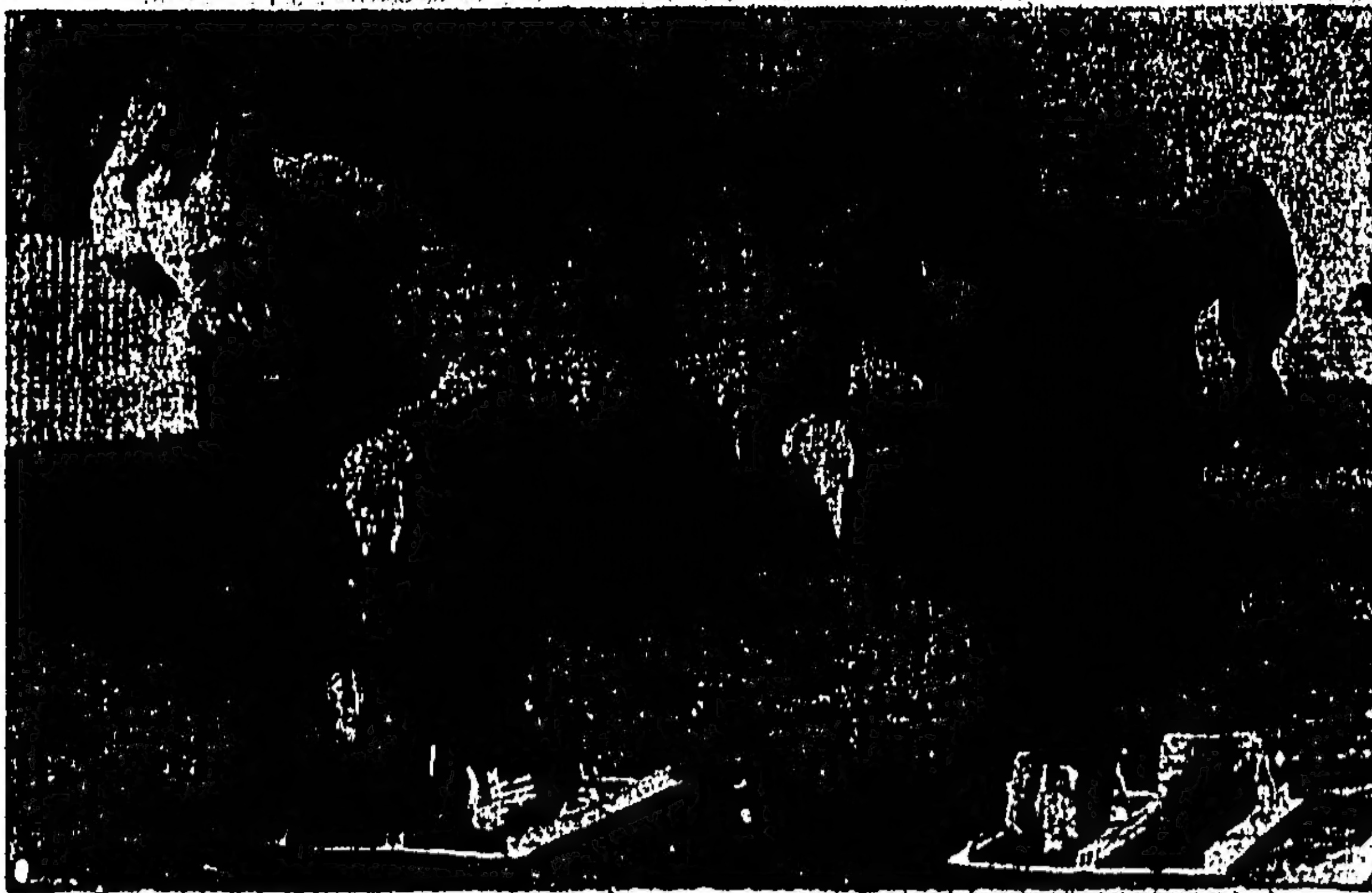
ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER. NO LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,  
A. E. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

## TRAINING FOR TRINIDAD



Sprinter Clay Gibbs, right, one of the small team of British athletes leaving on February 20 for Trinidad to take part in the West Indies international athletic tour, is shown preparing to set off on a training run. With him is pace-maker Terry Higgins, a fellow-member of the Herne Hill Harriers. Other British internationalists who will be with Clay on the West Indies tour are pole vaulter Geoff Elliott and Miller Brian Hewson.—Express Photo.

They have been chosen to train for the Olympic Games team — on level terms with the men

## Four Jumping Girls Upset The Blimps...

By MURIEL BOWEN

"Riding is such a rage among the girls these days that it's only right to cash in on it," says Colonel Harry Llewellyn about the selection of four women to go into training with six men for our show jumping team at this summer's Olympic Games.

It is a broadside that will boom among the blimps. For it is being said round the riding clubs and whispered in the hunting field that girls cannot do it. That girls cannot compete level with men in this competition open to them at the Olympics in Stockholm this year for the first time ever.

Back to Colonel Llewellyn again: "As far as I am concerned, let the best man, or woman, win."

"What we want is the best people, whoever has the best nerve control to go in, gallop—and WIN. And another thing, do not forget that it is the horse that is the athlete. The rider merely guides him by his tact and skill."

Of course, if the blimps could only meet the jumping girls they would not need Harry Llewellyn or anybody else to sing their praises. It is well known that they are talented and successful.

They have the world at their feet. Wherever they go, cheers ring in their ears. But talk to them as they clean the saddles, or mix the bran mash and one is aware of one thing—something that the blimps do not know about—that they are so VERY MODEST.

## THE BABY

"I had never given the matter any thought at all," said 19-year-old Dawn Palethorpe (Kiddersminster), the baby of the quartet. "My experience did not seem enough for me to be even considered."

But in two years Dawn has come from nowhere to match the world's best. She and Earlsfort Hamble, the big brown horse, have won several big international trophies in the last two years. They also won one very odd prize—a fur coat.

Says Dawn: "I won it in Germany last year. It's called half Persian lamb—whatever that half means—and it has got a white mink collar. It's much nicer than a cup which one is always pulling down off the sideboard to clean."

For Mrs Mary Marshall (Lambourn) selection for Olympic training is "the big dream of my life come true." Mary, 19-year-old wife of Bryan Marshall, the trainer and jockey who won the Grand National two years running, has got to arrange her training so she can also find the time to look after her two babies. Both are boys.

## SO TIRILLED

But being in the running for the Olympics can make such a difference round about at home. Announces Mary triumphantly:

"My mother is so thrilled to bits with the whole thing that I am sure I can get her to come along and baby sit."

"Since 1948 her horse Nobbler has been winning international jumping competitions for Britain. But just now he is running loose in a field and enjoying a winter rest."

He has grown so many winter coats that he looks a great woolly bear, and his only thoughts are of rolling in mud—most un-Olympic minded."

For Pat Smythe (Stroud), the girl with the courage, the confidence and the calmness that makes it all look so easy, there will also be some planning and rearranging. The bride path is always strewn with invitations to London in the theatre... Switzerland to ski... to Ireland to hunt... to North Africa to ride camels.

The number of her admirers is almost legion. But they are likely to be put off during the next six months. The horse Pat is training for the Olympics is not her trusted Prince Hal, but a red-coated fellow called Flanagan.

## MARVELOUS

Finally there is 20-year-old Susan Whitehead (Stow-on-the-

Wold), blonde, slim and pretty. "Training will be a rest," says Sue, bustling with excitement.

"At home I've got to be out in the yard by seven in the morning to look after my own horse. But when I start training my horse will be cared for by a groom, isn't that marvellous?"

Great Britain will play Bulgaria in the Olympic Games football tournament return at Wembley Stadium on Saturday, May 12. Originally it was planned to play it at Highbury, but reconstruction work by Arsenal necessitated a change. Bulgaria beat Great Britain 2-0 in Bulgaria in October.

## SPORTS ROUND-UP

## Rocky Marciano Offered £125,000 To Fight Valdes Of Cuba

Rocky Marciano, World Heavyweight Champion, has been offered £125,000 for a title fight with Nino Valdes of Cuba in Havana next May. Marciano's manager Al Weill said he will give the offer "every consideration."

Cliff Morgan, whom Rugby League clubs would like to sign, will definitely not consider any more cash offers this season. Captain of his country for the first time, Morgan's ambition is to lead Wales to the Triple Crown.

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## ONE MORE CRACK

Reg Harris, former World Cycle Sprint Champion, aims to have one more crack at the title before retiring. He is cycling 100 miles a day in an all-out effort to reach peak fitness.

By April he will also have spent £15,000 on Harris Stadium, the Manchester track he bought last year.

He plans to make it one of the most attractive sports centres in Great Britain with top athletic meetings and cycling events. And Harris himself, will turn promoter when his cycling days are done.

Oxford are having a new boat built for their next meeting with Cambridge on March 24. The new craft will be lighter, but stronger. It is built on a laminated design—three layers of Honduras mahogany glued together, instead of one piece of Honduras cedar, as used in their previous boats.

Alf Price, Britain's Olympic swimming team manager, is sending his potential Olympic swimmers on a course of weightlifting. The suggestion came from Bert Kinnear, a 1948 Scottish Olympic swimmer and Loughborough College coach who pointed out that Dick Cleveland equaled the world sprint record after taking up weightlifting.

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## A Yank At Arsenal Stadium Says...

## THESE POOR GUYS NEED HOT DOGS

By DESMOND HACKETT

A little guy on Broadway, New York, the other day sat telling a baffled audience of showmen and sports boosters: "I was at this England ball game at a stadium called Arsenal in London recently and I can only figure the guys that own this football outfit do not love their customers."

Talking was Abe Saperstein, who has been in London organising a tour for the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team and a "Meet-the-Champ" trip for Rocky Marciano.

I took Abe to watch Arsenal play Tottenham. Abe looked down at the damp chilled terraces, shivered, pleaded: "Here! what is this? Phenomena! Terrace! What kind of organisation runs a show where the clients are asked to stand up and freeze?"

Abe disappeared into the warm depths of his seat. He surfaced to rap out: "Put those customers in chairs. Give any guy a seat. Then he brings along a blanket. He don't have to feel he is one of those heroes who go exploring around Arctic poles. Don't these gents ever wise up that they are in the entertainment business?"

Abe IS BLUE

Cold, blue Abe looked even bluer when told that only the strong and the fortunate could secure hot, tepid or lukewarm refreshment during a match.

Abe came right out of his seat storming: "In America a good operator would have his boys among that crowd with real hot drinks, and hot dogs. You could see Abe visualising a procession of smart vendors selling cats and drinks, all hot, to satisfied spectators all in chairs and wrapped in rugs."

The football proceedings had Abe in and out of his seat like a nervous rabbit.

"How can those football squads operate on that kind of pig pen?" he challenged. "How come they can't cover the arena with hay like we do?"

After half an hour when the mud was slowing up progress, Abe bobbed up asking: "Why don't they throw in some substitutes and hot this game up?"

"No substitutes," I told him, "not even for injuries."

Abe exploded: "So a guy is hauled off and the squadrons plays on short. What kind of a contest is that? What a deal for the fans. It's like asking the public to pay and watch Marciano fight with one hand tied."

BIGGER GOALS

Abe replanned the whole game of football before half-time right down to having

## FA Cup Fifth Round Draw

London, Jan. 30. Draw for the fifth round of the FA Cup to be played on Saturday, February 11, was made today and resulted:

West Bromwich v. Birmingham City  
Everton v. Burnley or Chelsea

Manchester City v. Liverpool or Scunthorpe United  
West Ham v. Blackburn Rovers

Newcastle v. Stoke  
Sheffield United v. York City or Sunderland

Bristol Rovers or Doncaster Rovers v. Tottenham  
Charlton v. Arsenal

Replays, if necessary, on or before Thursday, February 23.—Reuter.

## A Dream Debut

Ted Butler was a goalkeeper for the Salford Rosary (Birmingham) Club, and a good one too. When he went into the insurance business he found that his firm's side had one or two good 'keepers. So he decided to try left-wing. He made his debut there for Wesleyan and General in the Birmingham League—and scored four goals! In the same League, Thimblemill fielded a 54-year-old outside-right. Incorporated accountants had three penalties awarded against them, and their opponents scored from the lot; and Rubery FC lost their centre-forward in a match against Terry and proceeded to score ten goals after that misfortune!

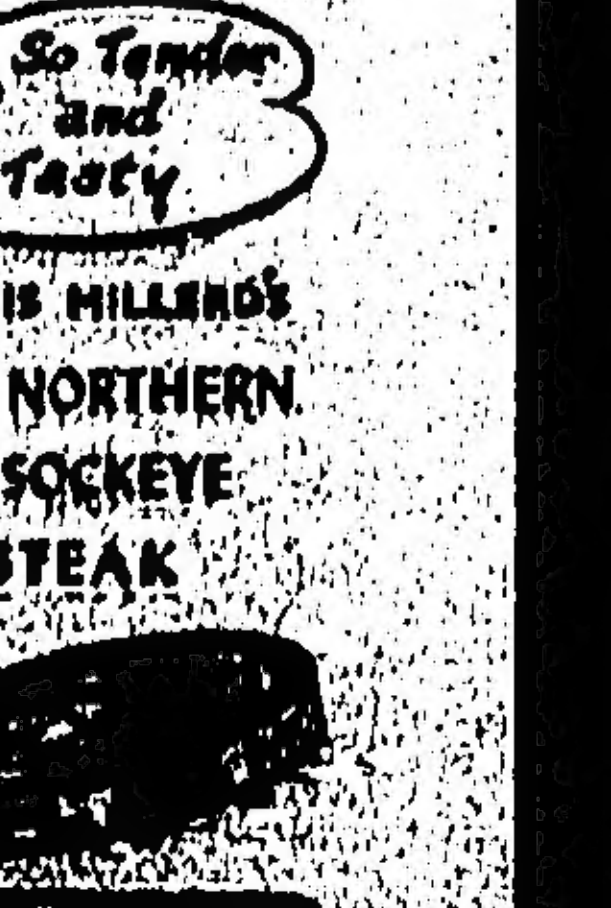
## Sports Diary

TODAY  
Golf  
Bronze Division, qualifying rounds, Farnham Golf Course.

TOMORROW  
Rugby  
Inter-Unit Final: King's Own Royal Regt v 74 LAA Regt RA (Boundary St.) 4 p.m.

Hongkong Jockey Club Annual Meeting, Second Day at Happy Valley, 11.30 a.m.

## THE GAMBOLS



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## PEREZ KEEPS FLYWEIGHT TITLE



World Flyweight Champion Pascual Perez of the Argentine is shown, left, in a clinch with Leo Espinosa of the Philippines during the recent first-ever world title bout in South America on January 11. Perez was successful in defending his title. Later this year he is slated to meet Britain's Dai Dower.—Express Photo.

## Partially Floodlit Soccer Makes A Farce Of League Competition

By ARCHIE QUICK

There is at least one determined opponent of floodlight soccer. He is no less than Mr Fred Howarth, Secretary of the powerful Football League.

Having watched the Wolverhampton-West Bromwich Cup tie and on his way to a League Management Committee meeting in London he was very outspoken on the subject of "lights."

"For some ties to start at 2.15 p.m. and others at 3.00 p.m. and be partially floodlit makes a farce of the competition," he said. "The Football Association should know better than to bow to some of the clubs who have the facilities installed. The League would not. It is both unfair and ridiculous to have 45 minutes of a match in daylight and 45 minutes under the lights."

"This can easily give one team an advantage, and if there is a high wind blowing, it can be completely unfair to one of the sets of defenders. Again the club with lights knows the vagaries of floodlight football. Very often the visitors do not. I know they have agreed to it, but that does not make it any the less unfair. It is money-grubbing, but the biggest 'gates' at soccer games were at matches like ice hockey Association Football has always been a Saturday afternoon daylight

game for the past half century or so, and it should remain so. Let there be evening floodlight football, but let it be restricted to 'friendly' matches. Keep it away from League matches and Cup ties."

"The England versus Spain match at Wembley ended at floodlight, and I felt I had seen two different games. And I didn't like the second one!"

Nevertheless, all the clubs who resorted to floodlighting were enthusiastic about it—on the point of increased attendances, of course. An assessment is that it put an average of 5,000 on each "gate."

One team not happy about it must surely be Preston North End. They were coasting along comfortably in a 2-1 lead at half-time at West Ham. On went the lights at the interval and West Ham romped home 5-2.

It may not have had anything to do with the result, of course, but the fact remains that Preston are not used to the "lights" like West Ham, who have conquered all their Continental visitors under them in the glare of evening matches. There may be something in what Mr Howarth says.

### HIGH PROMOTION

There has been a sudden spate of deaths in the football world. Sir Amos Brook Hirst, Chairman of the Football Association, died on January 28. He was 87. He was succeeded by Mr R. W. Sedgwick, President of the International Federation, and M. H. Delaunay, Secretary of the French Association, have all passed on. The result is high promotion for Mr Arthur Drewry.

Mr Drewry has already been appointed to succeed Sir Amos Brook Hirst and is acting in the stead of M Sedgwick. It is 99% certain that he will be elected President of FIFA at the annual general meeting in June. And thus become the first Englishman to occupy the highest office in Soccer.

It is 20 years since this good-looking, grey-haired man emerged as a director of Grimsby Town FC to become a national sporting figure; now he becomes a world one, with a knighthood looming ahead. He and Sir Stanley Rous have practically moulded British football policy between them since the War, carrying the flag—not always successfully—to the four corners of the earth. As Chairman of the Selection Committee, Mr Drewry's outlook has always been international, and this will help him in his administration at Zurich headquarters.

The Football Association has not given much publicity to its decision, but I have been informed that it will not recognise Sunday football nor will it affiliate Sunday clubs. This is a pity, for it will lead to another rift like the one that lasted so long with FIFA and like the split which still exists with the Amateur Football Association. It is an anomalous decision, too, for the FA plays International matches on the Continent on Sundays. Sunday football will still go on under the aegis of its

two organisations, and I could tell the FA the name of one League club which allows Sunday football on its ground!

Reverting to FIFA the next annual Congress will be held in Lisbon in June, and the Chile and Argentina will submit applications to stage the World Cup competition in 1962. It is most likely to go to Buenos Aires. It would thus return to South America after a lapse of twelve years, and be the third occasion it has been played there.

The application of South Africa for FIFA membership is going to cause complications, for when that Association is admitted South African players in Great Britain will be prevented from appearing for England, Scotland etc. like Bill Perry, of Blackpool, is currently doing.

### ONE OF THE BEST

Maurice Setters is the name. A tough unctuous private in REME, 18 years old, with a crew-cut hair style. But he is going to make his mark in football.

This National Serviceman who was transferred not so long ago from Exeter City to West Bromwich Albion has played several times for that Club's first League eleven and Manager Vic Buckingham considers him one of the best buys the Hawthorns Club has ever made.

Because of injuries he was a last minute draft into the previously all-amateur Army Team which beat London University 3-1 and he was by far the outstanding personality on the field. Phil Woosnam, the Royal Artillery lieutenant who is a Welsh international and plays for Leyton Orient, was good but essentially this was Setters' match. He played left half but inside-left is his correct position and will obviously add punch to the Army's full side which is due to meet the Belgian Army at Anderlecht in a fortnight's time.

I was asked what I consider to be the best eleven to represent the Army since the War. It is very difficult, because so many positions can be implicated, especially with half a dozen international goalkeepers to choose from.

I would say something like this: Fraser (Sunderland and Scotland), Foulkes (Manchester United and England), Hopkins (Spurs), Clayton (Blackburn Rovers and England), Wright (Wolves and England), Edwards (Manchester United and England), Finney (Sheffield Wednesday), Quixall (Sheffield Wednesday and England), John Charles (Leeds United and Wales), Ivor Allchurch (Swansea Town and Wales) and Blunstone (Chelsea and England).

But think of the internationals I am passing over—Merrick, Jones, Simpson, King, Anderson, Wilson, Mel Charles, Len Allchurch, McPhail, Humphries, Higgs, Gunter, Meadows and others. A "shadow" eleven which is almost as good could be selected.

## RUGGER PREVIEW

## Scottish Rugger Revitalised Almost Overnight

By J. R. WATKINS

Last season Scotland won their first rugby international for four years. This season they can win the Home International Championship.

Scottish rugby has been revitalised almost overnight. Two weeks ago France was beaten 12-0. Wales may suffer a similar fate at Cardiff on February 4.

Full of confidence following the French match, Scotland have been heartened still more by reports from their representatives of the scrappy England-Wales match at Twickenham.

"Wales were lucky," so said the Scottish soles. I agree. For although both scoring chances were taken readily enough, each try resulted from a fatal fumble by an English defender who could not gather a rolling ball.

It would also be reported, I feel sure, that although there were six Lions in the Welsh pack they were beaten by England's new combination of forwards, and that the Welsh eight did not last the pace.

### A RAGGED LINK

Cliff Morgan was not happy with Brace as his partner and they were a ragged link behind the scrum.

And Scotland? They have forced their way back by re-vivifying the traditional Scottish forward play.

The great Gwyn Nicholls "prince of three-quarters" and famous captain of his country in what is known as the golden era of Wales wrote a book called "Modern Rugby". In it he said: "Let a Scottish pack come away in a body and individually seems to be lost."

"Here and there perhaps, a man may not be noticed, save

as the fringe of the avalanche, the six seven, or eight components of which are all welded into one rushing, crushing whole, the course of which, a miracle alone can arrest."

"True it does get arrested sometimes. But the man who does it deserves the Victoria Cross."

It was that type of forward play that beat the French, and can crush Wales. Scotland must now succeed where England failed, by making use of the ball. It is up to scrum half Norman Campbell to give the three the service they need.

I don't think he will be as successful with the ball as the forwards will be in getting it. But he can do enough to keep Scotland on the victory trail.

—(London Express Service)

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### A New Penalty King

Most successful penalty kick taker in the Birmingham area is Ron Morris, of Brinton FC (Kidderminster). He has scored 46 times in the last six seasons without a miss and has netted on several occasions also from free kicks. He has a powerful kick, but takes his penalties gently. He has not had one to convert so far this season.



Edited By Sam Leitch & Terence Elliott

Arsenal hope to bring two of the leading foreign club aides in the game to Highbury. They are FC Vienna (Austria) and the Brazilian ace, Vasco Da Gama. The Austrians are eager to come and play Arsenal in late February. But the game will only be played if Arsenal are out of the Cup.

Vasco da Gama, beat Arsenal 1-0 on their 1949 South American tour and 4-0 when Arsenal went there again two years later.

Postponement of Liverpool's Division II game at Lincoln on January 14 has led to a row. Liverpool are so annoyed that a report has gone to the Football League.

When Liverpool arrived at Lincoln, referee Tom Seymour, of Wakefield, had already called the match off. The director in charge of the Liverpool team with manager Don Welsh walked on the pitch and disagreed with the decision.

The players also thought the pitch was playable. But referee Seymour considered that there was a patch of ice which could be dangerous.

When the Liverpool board met last week they considered the report from their officials and decided that the circumstances merited further action.

### LEAGUE DEBUT

Cardiff manager Fred Emery doesn't believe in pushing a lad into his first senior game and expecting him to succeed right away.

That's why local amateur Ron Little, who made his League debut recently, has been told: "Here's your big chance. You are in the team for at least three games. The rest is up to you." Outside right Little did well enough against Gates-

head to suggest that he'll probably stay much longer!

Sheffield United manager Joe Mercer has searched so anxiously for a centre-forward that almost every player likely to fill the bill has been under his scrutiny.

Latest player linked with Joe's club is Louis Blimpson, big-boned giant, who once scored four goals with Tommy Cummings. Burnley's talented centre-half, facing him.

Manager Joe was in Liverpool with Blimpson the objective.

But a Liverpool director said: "Blimpson is not for sale. We want to get back into the First Division. That's a duty to our supporters. We won't do it by selling players. No, Blimpson is definitely not for sale."

Allan Brown, Blackpool and Scottish international inside-forward, is happy enough now. If he wasn't the smiles would be helped back by that grant of a maximum £750 benefit by his club last week marking his five-year milestone at Bloomfield Road.

Who takes over as manager of Southern League Barry Town? Norman Low's whirlwind 15-day spell ended when he joined Worthington.

A dozen applications have been received and Chairman John Bailey has talked with several players. Now Barry are considering making an offer to Newport centre-half Stan Montgomery.

### MISFORTUNES

How much tougher can it get for Huddersfield Town? Not much... it seems the club's fight against misfortunes that end in a drop to Division II at the end of the season just goes on and on.

See what happens to Jimmy Watson, Jimmy, Scottish international and top schemer around whom their attack revolved, went into hospital for a cartilage operation on his right knee.

The doctors checked up on his left knee... just while they were on the job. Result: Jimmy has had a cartilage out of each knee.

There's a £40 a week soccer manager's job vacant in Ireland. Mr Tony Russell, London representative of Limerick, wants it filled by a Football League player.

He had been unlucky with Tommy Lawton. Next man to be tried? Popular Jimmy Hagan, of Sheffield United, is top of the list.—London Express Service.

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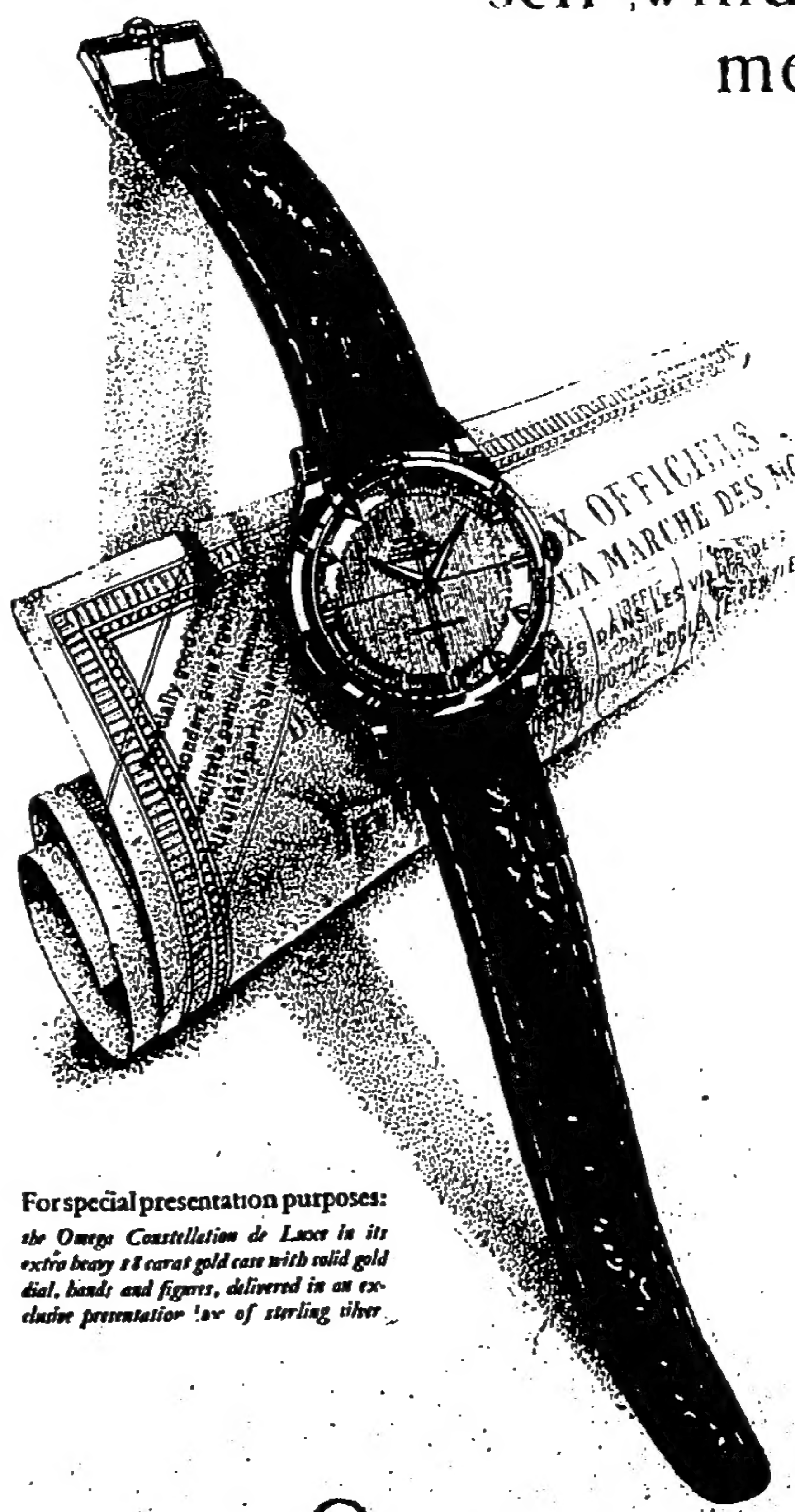
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# CANBERRA BOOMS AS PACIFIC LISTENING POST

Canberra, Jan. 30.

This garden city capital of the Australian Commonwealth is booming as a major listening centre in the Pacific.

No less than 29 Embassies and Legations established in Australia, mostly in Canberra. All the major powers will be represented here if the Soviet Union returns her Embassy to Canberra before this year's Olympic Games. Recent press reports have said that she wants to do this and that she has started unofficial talks on the subject with Australian representatives.

Australia's rise in stature among the world's nations has taken place since World War II. Before 1939, Britain was the only major power to show more than a little interest in her affairs.

Today, in addition to Britain, Australia, Brazil, Burma, Canada, Ceylon, Nationalist China, France, Greece, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Sweden, Thailand, South Africa, the United States and West Germany, the newest comers, have diplomatic missions here. Belgium, Chile, Denmark, Finland, Israel, Pakistan, Italy, Malta, and the Philippines have missions in Sydney.

## Direct Reflection

This foreign interest in Australia is reflected here as a direct reflection of Australia's growing role in world affairs, particularly in south and south-east Asia. Australia has strong posts in all the Asian countries represented in Canberra, and also in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Ceylon, Cambodia and Vietnam.

There is a constant flow of important despatches from all Australian posts abroad to the Department of External Affairs in Canberra to keep the Australian policy-makers closely briefed.

But today Canberra is being looked to as the focal point not only for foreign policy but also of a host of other important matters.

The Federal Government's policy of developing the capital as the central administrative city is well under way, with a start about to be made on the transfer of the many Departments of State which have remained in Melbourne since 1901.

## Big Build-Up

In addition to her relations with Asia, which are proving a constructive bridge between East and West, Australia's place in the defence community of the West, her trade expansion, her immigration programme, and membership of the United Nations and other world organisations activities, have brought a tremendous increase in Government business and the necessary diplomatic liaison with other countries.

The big build-up of foreign diplomats in the city, kept busy observing and in liaison on all these fronts are, however, making other important contributions to the capital's development and thinking.

Since World War II splendid new Embassy buildings have added to the grace of a plan on a design of concentric circular streets by a Chicago architect, Walter Burley Griffin, 40 years ago.

The 150-odd diplomats and their wives, together with a large sprinkling of immigrants from Europe, have already

turned Canberra into the one truly cosmopolitan city in a country which, 15 years ago, looked askance at foreigners.

Embassies, such as the American, built in the last century colonial style of Victorian modern Swedish Legation which won the annual Australian architecture prize several years ago, and the new Netherlands Embassy offices, just opened, are among the finest buildings in the country.

## Leased Premises

Most of the foreign missions, many still in leased premises, are making plans to erect their own impressive buildings. The Federal Government is giving generous help to these plans for it wants to see all missions established permanently in the capital.

The French, established here since 1946, are soon to begin erection of a new Embassy in the style of Le Corbusier. Canberra architect has recently been to Paris for discussions on the project.

The South African mission, still in rented offices after six years, is to erect its own offices in Cape Dutch architecture, while a "take-the-hut-round" move among Australian Jews is raising funds to help construct a Legation for Israel.

All this diplomatic expansion has brought a score of languages to the capital's official business and community life.—China Mail Special.



## Romantic Echoes For Grandmothers

Canberra, Jan. 30.

Twenty women in the village of Varipetrom—most of them grandmothers, and all of them over 70—received a flood of anonymous letters from soldiers serving in a Greek Army unit stationed in Crete.

The grandmothers were delighted and amused, but the soldiers threatened vengeance if they could find the hoaxer who published the women's names in a newspaper advertisement to correspond with and marry soldiers.—China Mail Special.

New York, Jan. 30.

A device is being developed here to enable fire engines to control traffic lights along their path, so that they all turn green as the firemen approach.

Mr. R. Wooley, of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, said that the device would be operated from the driver's seat and could control traffic lights at intersections four to six streets ahead. It is not expected to be ready for general use for at least 18 months.—China Mail Special.

Two of the stars of the American Negro troupe currently presenting Gershwin's folk opera, "Fanny and Jess", in the Soviet Union, were wed recently in the Russian capital. They were Helen Thinspen and Earl Jackson, the first American Negroes ever to be married in the Soviet Union. Thousands of Muscovites waited outside their city's Baptist Church to throw rice over the couple after the ceremony, and a number of diplomats were on hand to attend the reception at the "Fragrant" restaurant. Picture shows Mr. Jackson, centre, watching his bride cut the wedding cake during the reception.—Express Photo.

## Workmen Find Roman Cemetery

Belgrade, Jan. 30.

Workers building a block of flats near the Yugoslav Parliament have discovered what archaeologists here believe to be a second century AD Roman cemetery underneath the Yugoslav capital.

While foundations were being dug a blow from a pickaxe prised a hole in a lead sarcophagus and shattered the arm bone of a teen-age girl. She was an inhabitant of Singidunum, as this city was called in Roman times.

The sarcophagus contained the girl's skeleton and, her jewelry—gold ear rings, a gold and amber necklace, and a gold ring with a portrait of a warrior engraved on the stone.—China Mail Special.

Madrid, Jan. 30.

Father Maximo Tejerina, Cana, parish priest of Seleccion, near Leon, met a pack of wolves while strolling round his parish with a sporting gun. He shot one dead. The rest fled.—China Mail Special.

## Pipe Clay Cave Paintings

Adelaide, Jan. 30.

Aboriginal cave paintings in white pipe clay and red ochre, believed to have been made 50 years before the arrival of white men in Australia, have been found 50 miles from Adelaide.

The president of the Cave Exploration Group of South Australia, Mr. Elery Hamilton-Smith, said the red ochre paintings were thought to be much older than the white ones. They are mostly figures of men in action.—China Mail Special.

## Greek Peasants Think They Have Found Gold

Athens, Jan. 30.

The villagers of Solo, near Kalavryta, in southern Greece, are engaged in a treasure hunt in the foothills of Mount Helmos.

Always on the look-out for new sources of wealth and prosperity in a land which is so poor that it barely manages to feed them, they hope, that, this time, they have struck gold.

The discovery was made by pure chance. Ioannis Papadimitropoulos, a navy from the village, picked up a yellowish stone which shone strangely. He crushed it and found that it looked even brighter inside—"just like gold," he said.

There were thousands more stones like it at the foot of Mount Helmos, near the village.

In the 4th century Before Christ, Themistocles is said to have built his famous fleet with the resources of the Laurium mines.

## Annual Income

Northern Greece is supposed to have had gold deposits which, according to Greek archaeologists and historians were known, and widely exploited, in antiquity.

Philip of Macedonia, who reigned in 382 BC to 336 BC, extracted gold which gave him an annual income of 1,000 talents, estimated as the equivalent of some 3,000,000 gold sovereigns today.

Whether the gold resources of Macedonia have been exhausted or not is a matter of controversy among Greek experts.

At all events, since the 18th century, villagers along the banks of the Gallico river, some 5 miles West of Salonica, have been washing in primitive fashion, sand and soil from the river banks and extracting gold spangles which they sell to money-changers or at the counters of the local banks.

## Founded Company

The total output, however, has never been sufficient to attract investors with a view to large scale exploitation.

Before World War II, Mr. Elio Elopoulos, who believed strongly in the existence of gold deposits in Macedonia, founded an enterprise under the name of "The Gold Mining Company of Northern Greece."

The first step taken by this company was to purchase and take to the spot adequate equipment to wash not only the sand near the banks of the Gallico but also the mud of the river bed.

After the war the equipment was modernised and since 1953 the output of gold has been about one kilogramme (2.2 lb) per working day.

In 1940, the company had sold to the Bank of Greece 18 ingots of gold of a total weight of about 108 lbs. In 1953, 12 ingots weighing about 134 lbs were delivered to the Bank of Greece which has the monopoly of the purchase of gold in this country, while last year the output of the Gallico river reached some 550 lbs.

## In Tributaries

Mr. Elopoulos, who is preparing to extend operations in this area, says that surveys have indicated that there are gold deposits in many parts in Macedonia, in the areas where his company holds prospecting rights. Further study is necessary before it can be known whether the deposits are commercially exploitable.

The company is also investigating the possibility of gold deposits in the beds of tributaries of the Strymon (Struma) river, a search which will later be extended to the Nestos and even the Axios (Vardar) rivers.

Greek financiers, however, without challenging the value of such prospecting, declare that Greece's gold deposits are to be found in the private hoards of gold sovereigns held by people throughout the country.—China Mail Special.

## Dead Capital

They estimate that at least 15,000,000 gold sovereigns have been thus hoarded away in Greece since World War II.

No postwar Government has yet been able to persuade the owners of this huge dead capital to bring it out and invest it in the too-long delayed recovery of the country.—China Mail Special.

## Monkeys Attack Children

Durban, Jan. 30.

Monkeys are attacking young children and raiding kitchens in parts of Durban.

Efforts by the police to exterminate them have failed, and residents are demanding a renewed drive by the municipality to rid built-up areas of the animals.

Meanwhile, the local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals reports that visitors to Durban are asking to be shown monkeys taken home as pets.—China Mail Special.

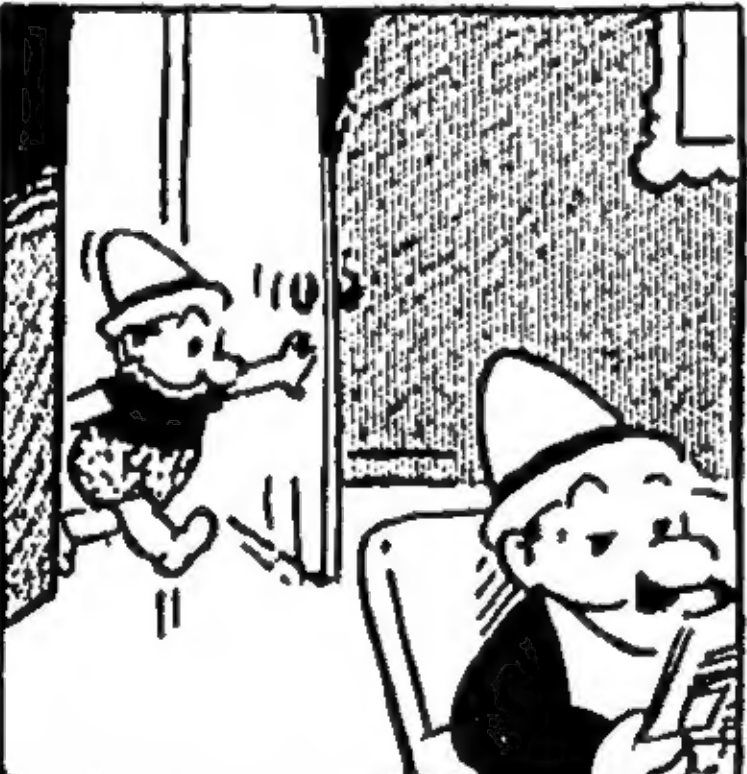
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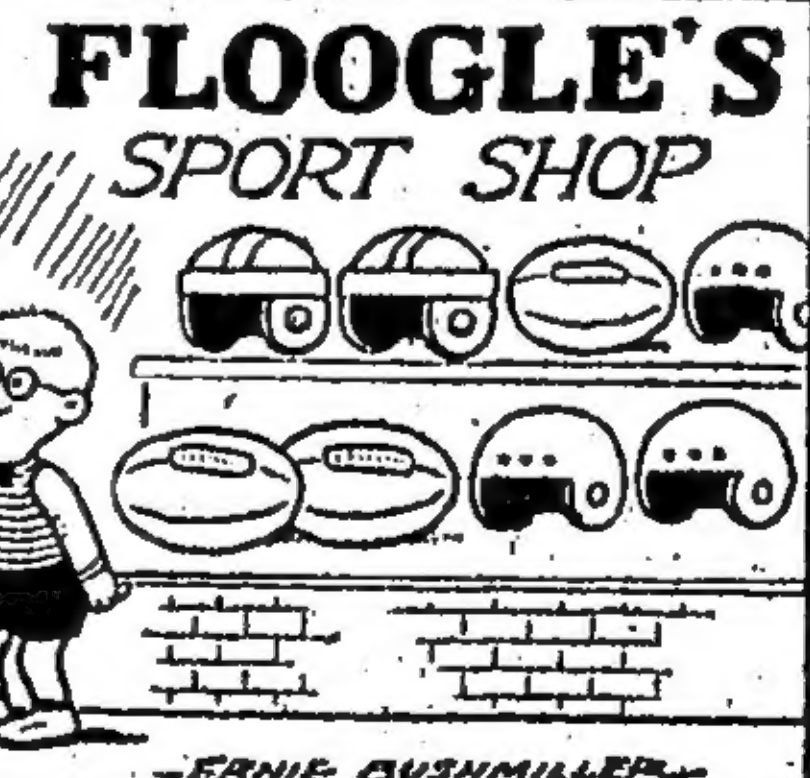
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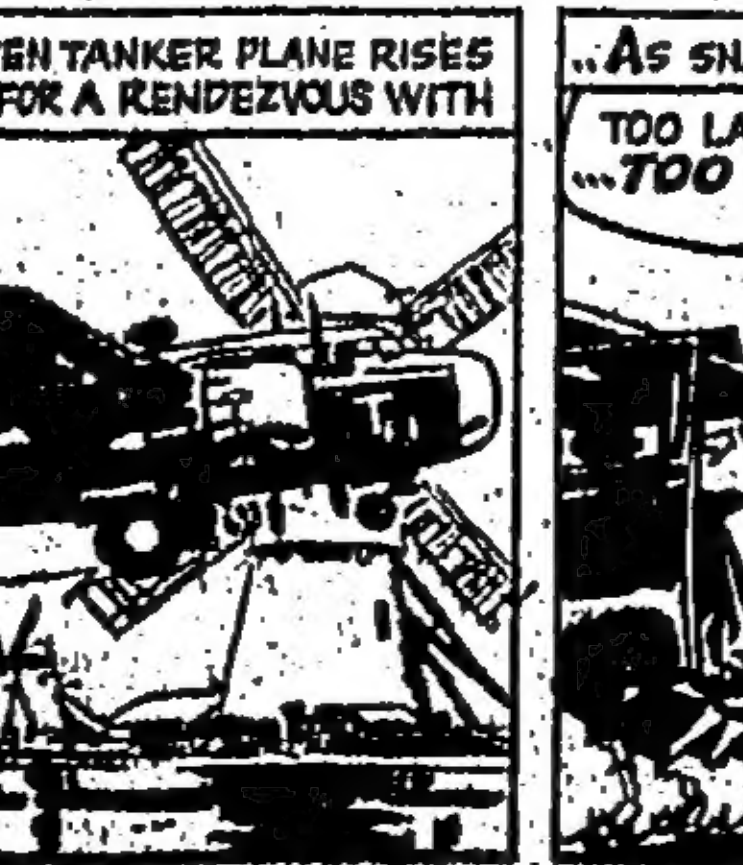
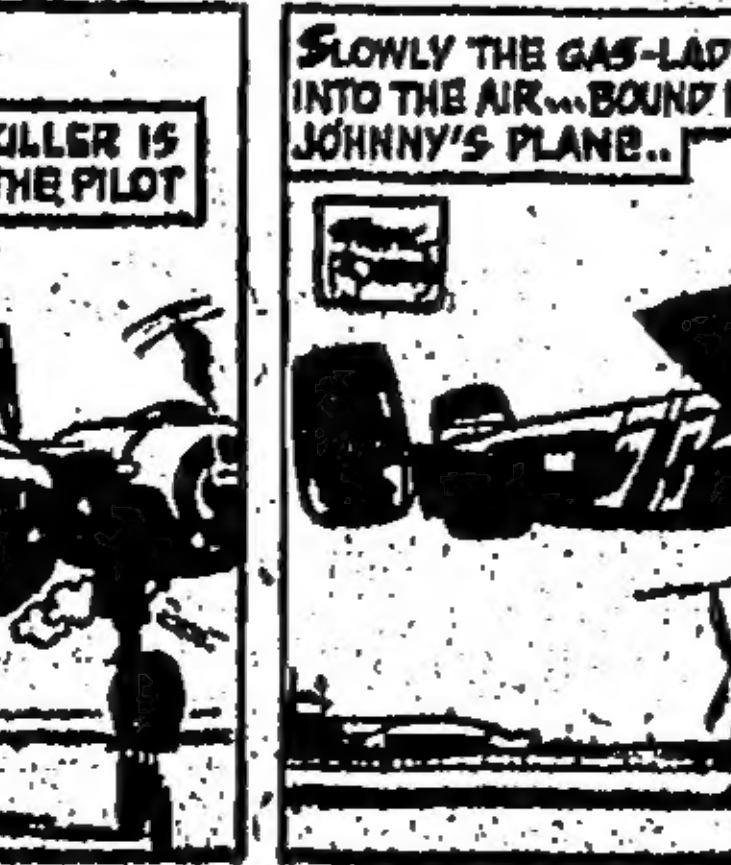
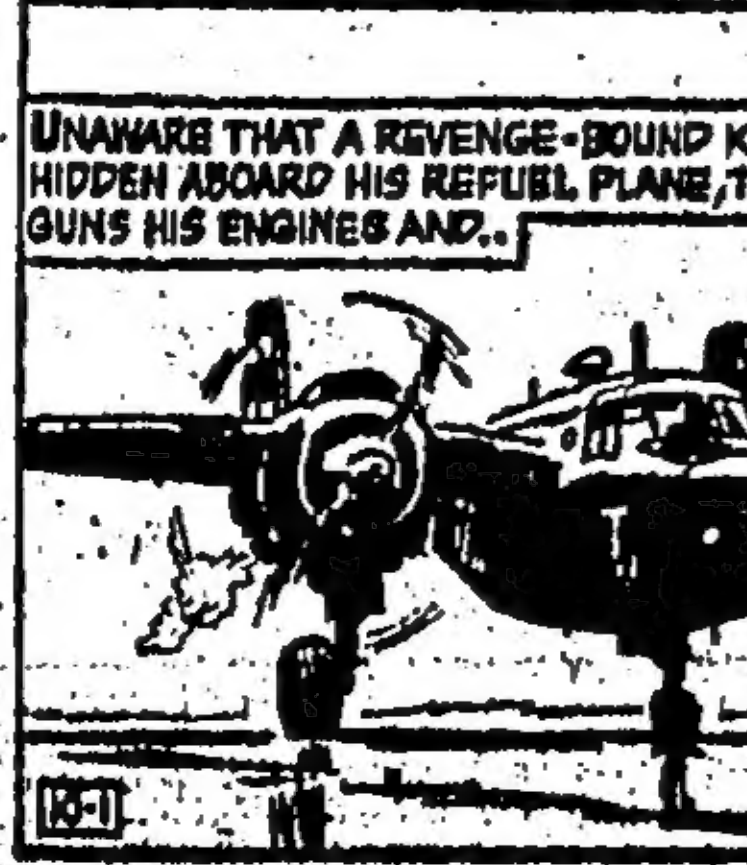
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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Jan. 30.  
No. 1 RSS rubber futures today closed 145 to 270 points lower with sales of 541 contracts.

The standard contract closed 100 to 300 points lower with sales of 12 contracts.

Market weakness reflected speculative operations and increased hedge selling along with the lower London cables. The standard contract closed 100 to 300 points lower with sales of 12 contracts.

London trade reports of Russian buying overseas and readiness of shipping rubber situation appeared offset by the poor consumer interest in the local spot market.

Spot No. 1 RSS were quoted nominally at 39½ cents a pound. February one sheets were done at 38½ cents and March one at 38 cents with further sellers.

Futures:

Old Res No. 1

Month	Price
May	36.25
July	36.50
September	36.75
December	37.00

New Standard contract

Month	Price
March	36.25
May	36.50
July	36.75
September	37.00
December	37.25

SINGAPORE

The market was quiet and easier on some liquidation and lack of interest. Futures were:

Month	Price
Feb.	108½-109½
Mar.	108-108½
Apr.	107½-108
May	107-107½
Jun.	106½-107
Jul.	106-106½
Aug.	105½-106
Sep.	105-105½
Oct.	104½-105
Nov.	104-104½
Dec.	103½-104

LONDON

The market was very steady with spot quoted at 31½ pence per lb. Prices:

Month	Price
Feb.	31½-32
Mar.	31-31½
Apr.	30½-31
May	30-30½
Jun.	29½-30
Jul.	29-29½
Aug.	28½-29
Sep.	28-28½
Oct.	27½-28
Nov.	27-27½
Dec.	26½-27

Amsterdam rubber prices were not received. United Press.

## New York Market Continues Steady Advance

New York, Jan. 30.

Stocks carried forward today the advance which last week gave the market its first weekly gain of the year.

Early gains today ranged over a point in many leaders and to more than two points in a few special issues.

Boeing sparked a strong aircraft group, rising 1½ to \$71¼ on news of two Air Force orders totalling \$303 million for B-52 bombers.

North American Aviation climbed 1¾ to \$80¾, Glenn Martin ¾ to \$34¾, General Dynamics ¾ to \$59¾, United Aircraft ¾ to \$87½.

Bath Iron Works picked up 2½ points to \$63¾ on Navy announcement that it has been awarded a \$48,609,000 contract for three destroyers.

There were several strong spots in oils. Texas Co. gained 7 to \$117.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

Index	Value
30 Industrials	407.50
20 Rails	123.15
15 Utilities	123.15
10 Stocks	123.15
40 Bonds	99.04
Comm. futures price index	120.77
Comm. spot price index	107.97
Moody's index	125.70

Closing Prices

Company	Price
Alden Inc. Acy.	21½
Allied Mills Inc.	21½
American Airlines	21½
American Cyanamid Co.	21½
Am. Sugar Ref.	21½
Am. Mach. & Tool	21½
Am. Can. Co.	21½
Am. Paper & Soap	21½
Am. Tel. & Tel.	21½
Am. Water Works	21½
Am. Electric	21½
Am. Gas	21½
Am. Oil	21½
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Am. Manganese	21½
Am. Potash	21½
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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### The Luxury Was Borrowed

MOLLY, for a great part of her life, has been surrounded by every kind of comfort. She can hardly remember the time when she was a stranger to the feel of thick pile carpets under her feet, the sight and scene of exotic food, the sparkle of candelabra, and the reassuring certainty of steam-heat.

All these she has close acquaintance with, though none was designed for her comfort. As a chambermaid working in big hotels she was hardly more than a thing, an accessory, like them, employed towards the greater comfort of the guests.

#### MARRIAGE

SO many of Molly's 36 years, that it might be thought that her ambition would be one day to enjoy herself, in their kind of luxury.

But when Molly married, one time ago now, the scant lodgings where were the best that she and her man could manage as a home seemed altogether more wonderful than anything a hotel listed with a constellation of stars against its name could provide.

Then the marriage took the wrong turning, broke up, and Molly, heavy at heart, had to leave her home, with its few poor sticks of furniture, for the glamorous surroundings of a big hotel again.

#### ISOLATION

HER unhappiness drove her in upon herself, so that much of the fun other people found, who worked backstairs, passed her by. Those who worked with her did not, as she did, bear the burden of having experienced what might have been, and she felt herself abandoned from them.

She changed her job, from time to time, restlessness driving her on a strange route that seemed unlikely to lead to any particular destination. Sometimes she worked in the big hotels in London, sometimes she returned to Ulster, where she had first come from, sometimes to a country house in England. She did her work well, and never found it difficult to find a place.

#### SURPRISED

FOUR years ago, when she was working in London, she was caught shoplifting, and fined, but that deviation apart, her lonely life was as blameless as her neighbours.

Then the other day, in the London hotel where she was working, Molly committed her second crime. It was in that part of the hotel where the staff lives, where pile carpets give way to bare boards and candelabra to naked light bulbs.

Another chambermaid walked into the room of a friend. She found Molly there, with her hands upon the handbag of the room's absent occupant. "Oh, oh, it's all right," Molly stammered. "Daisy told me to help myself."

"Nothing to do with me, I'm sure," the other girl said, and left, but presently she told Daisy of the incident. "I never said anything to Molly," Daisy protested, and ran to her room.

#### BACK TO AUSTERITY

SHE found there was a missing from her handbag. At the Clerkenwell Court Molly pleaded guilty to the theft, saying nothing in her defence beyond a whispered "I'm sorry."

"I would be fairly easy to deal with you if you hadn't a previous conviction," said the magistrate, Mr. E. G. Hoby. "You must go to prison for one month."

Molly stiffened and gulped the dock-rail. "This way," said the young court matron firmly. "This way."

She took Molly's arm and led her away towards Holloway. "If the girl whose under-furniture perhaps would add to her misery by reminding her of the skimpy bits she had possessed in the days, the far-off, seeming days, the glorious short season, when she had been mistress of a place of her own."

#### Why Did Chou Say 'War'?

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territory, as Manchuria was. He suggested Britain was returned to return Formosa to the Republic of China as Manchuria was returned.

#### FIGHT FOR CHIANG?

He asked Mr. Nutting: "Do you stand by the views you expressed in New York in December, 1944, to the effect that we would be bound to fight for Chiang Kai-shek if he became involved in war?"

Mr. Nutting replied: "I have to tell you that you are wrong on both counts. I never said we would be bound to fight for General Chiang Kai-shek if he became involved in war. I said we would support the United Nations as we are pledged to do."

"The Cairo declaration spoke of Formosa as having been seized by Japan and that Japan should hand it back. Japan has renounced all title and sovereignty to it. The question of sovereignty remains in abeyance."—Reuter

## Plight Of Shanghai Pensioners Aired In Commons

OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Jan. 30.

Tory MP, Mr C. Gough asked a question in the House of Commons today concerning the plight of pensioners of the Shanghai Waterworks Company.

He asked for a statement on the negotiations on this matter with the Chinese Communists, and also whether the Peking government was now prepared to release pension funds.

Lord John Hope, Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office, in reply said that before the company was requisitioned by the Reds, the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking requested the Chinese government to permit remittance of the pensions by the company to its pensioners in Britain.

After requisitioning of the company's properties, Lord John Hope went on, "The British Charge d'Affaires formally requested the Chinese government to take steps to pay the pensions themselves. No reply was received to these communications or to a further note presented to the Chinese government last April."

He added that the Charge d'Affaires in Peking had since been instructed to continue his representations.

#### "NOT POSSIBLE"

Mr Gough then asked whether the British government would not take over the responsibility of paying the pensions to "this small and dwindling number of elderly people who are often in a state of penury?"

Lord John Hope replied, "I am sorry, it is not possible."

Mr Gough said tonight there were about 13 surviving pensioners concerned in the claim. Under the pension scheme to which they had contributed while employees of the company, they were entitled between them to about £3,000 a year. They received their last payment in 1949 when the company's pension funds were appropriated by the Communists.

"These pensioners are elderly people," said Mr Gough. "They spent many years serving the Waterworks Company which was a British concern. Now they find themselves denied their only income. It is a pathetic situation."

#### PLEAS REJECTED

Their pleas for equal treatment with pensioners of the Shanghai Municipal Council have been repeatedly rejected by successive British governments.

The Council's pensioners also received no payment from China since the Communists banned remittances abroad in 1949, but the British government took over the Shanghai Council's obligations as they felt the pensioners suffered through the failure of the Chinese government to observe the treaty of 1943.

Unfortunately for the pensioners of the Shanghai Waterworks Company, the British government doesn't consider itself under a similar obligation to that company's former employees.

## Three Face Robbery Charges

Committal proceedings against three men, charged with robbery, opened in Mr W. F. Pickering's Court at Central this morning.

The accused, Yiu Ping, Tsui Dick alias Robert Tsui, alias Tsui Tsang-yiu, and Fong Ping-fai, alias Tsui Kei-lee, alias Li Wing, alias Li Ying, were alleged, on October 19, 1955 at 23 Lan Fong Road, third floor, to have robbed Tsui Sau Nor of HK\$2,000; US\$400, M\$4,000, one diamond ring set in gold, two diamond rings set in platinum, one jade finger-ring set in gold, one gold finger-ring, ten gold bracelets, five gold necklaces, 30 children's gold finger-rings, eleven tacks of gold, one camera, three ladies' wrist watches, one gentleman's wrist watch, four gold coins and one comb with gold top.

DDI Gurney, prosecuting, told the Court that complainant was a housewife named Tsui Sau Nor who lived at 23 Lan Fong Road, third floor. Complainant was a State printer's business and it was usual for them to keep a fairly large amount of money and jewellery in the house.

At 12.30 p.m., DDI Gurney said, on October 19, 1955 when the door of complainant's house was open and as her children were departing for school, three men rushed into the house. One was armed with an imitation pistol and the other two with knives.

#### BOUND, GAGGED

DDI Gurney said the robbers proceeded to bind and gag the complainant and her two children. The premises after being in the house for half an hour the robbers departed with the money and jewels estimated to be worth more than \$20,000.

DDI Gurney said that the inmates eventually succeeded in releasing themselves and the Police were called in. While on the premises the Police took possession of two knives and the imitation pistol, together with some jewellery which, it was alleged, had been used by the robbers to tie up the inmates. The Police also seized some gloves which the robbers were alleged to have worn.

The complainant's flat was examined for fingerprints and a palm print was found on the door handle. The complainant's flat and the flat above.

#### IDENTIFIED

DDI Gurney said that after two months of investigation the Police succeeded in locating and arresting the first defendant in Kowloon. He was subsequently identified by four of the victims of the robbery. As a result of his arrest a small part of the stolen property was recovered.

On January 10, DDI Gurney said, the second defendant was located in Yau-mai Police Station where he had been asked to attend as a witness on a suicide case. He too was identified by three witnesses. There would be evidence that the identification parade, the second defendant volunteered a statement under caution to DDI Wong Shui-chung.

DDI Gurney said that on the afternoon of January 23, the third defendant was located and arrested in Kowloon. He was subsequently identified by five eyewitnesses and also by a jeweller to whom he had taken some jewellery for alteration. This evidence would be to some extent corroborated by a dance house.

Evidence would be given, DDI Gurney said, to the effect that the Police had found a small part of the stolen property in the hands of the third defendant. Hearing is continuing.

## US JET BOMBER CRASHES

London, Jan. 30.

A US Air Force jet bomber plunged into a hill at Brandon, Suffolk, tonight. Two of its crew were killed in the crash and a third died later at a hospital.

The fourth crew member was seriously injured but was expected to survive.—United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I knew Herschel would wait till the last minute to call about the dance! Did you notice how coldly I said yes?"

## Awards For Four Rescue Workers

Four men who gave valuable assistance in rescue work at a fire in Shaukiwan on December 9 last year were presented with letters of appreciation and monetary awards by Mr W. J. Gorman, Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, this morning.

The short ceremony took place in the canteen of the Central Fire Station. The recipients were Pak Keung, Wong Ying-li, Chan Ming and Cheng Kwan.

Pak Keung, who was the prime mover in the rescue work, which took place before the Fire Brigade arrived, was given an award of \$100. Wong Ying-li was given \$50, while the remaining two recipients got \$25 each.

Attending the presentation were a number of Fire officers and men. In presenting the awards Mr Gorman said:

"We are parading here this morning to witness a presentation of letters of appreciation and cash rewards to four citizens of the Colony, who performed valuable rescue work in saving the lives of two Chinese females prior to the arrival of the fire brigade on the occasion of the fire which occurred at 295-297 Main Street, West, Shaukiwan on December 9, 1955.

These citizens are Messrs Pak Keung, Wong Ying-li, Chan Ming and Cheng Kwan.

#### WOMEN TRAPPED

When fire broke out in this three-story tenement building in Shaukiwan, two Chinese females had fled from the upper floors of the burning building to the roof of 295-297 Main Street West. After reaching the roof of the building they were unable to proceed further to the adjoining building, No. 301, as a new structure of two storeys higher. Nos. 295-297, the buildings involved in the fire, were at this time burning very fiercely and the two females were unable to return by the way they ascended up to the roof.

Rescue operation were started from the next building by these

## Woman Opium Smoker Caught

Poon Kun, 60-year-old widow residing at 45 Jervois Street, third floor was fined \$1,000 by Mr Hin-shing Lo at the Central Magistracy this morning for possessing an opium pipe, prepared opium and opium dross.

Acting on information, a party of police raided the defendant's residence at about 2.40 p.m. on January 29. On entering the rear cubicle, the police found defendant and three other women sitting around a table. The room smelt strongly of opium. A search of the premises revealed a still warm opium pipe, five tacks of prepared opium and two still warm lamps carefully hidden in various secret cavities in the house.

The woman had no previous record.

His Worship ordered the exhibits to be confiscated for disposal.

## Doesn't Want To Go Back To China

Mr Liu Yung-ming, 36-year-old former Chinese college student who was alleged to have been kept in the United States by the American government against his will, told the Press on arrival here this morning by the ss President Wilson, that he is a former Hongkong resident and that "Hongkong is my home."

Liu further claimed that he was born in Turkey "in the Mediterranean Sea" of Japanese parents and was a citizen of Mexico.

Liu denied that he was ill-treated in the United States and that he was confined in a mental hospital in Missouri against his will. He said Americans "were all friends" and that he was free in the United States.

Liu, who was accompanied at the interview aboard the President Wilson by Mrs M. Strathie of the British Red Cross and Mr Richard Tomblin of the American Red Cross, said he did not want to go to mainland China. He added that he did not want to go to Taiwan either because he "has no home there."

Consistently maintaining that he is a Mexican citizen, Liu said he did not go to Mexico because "Hongkong is Mexican territory."

#### "A LITTLE ABNORMAL"

Asked by a Chinese news-papernan in Mandarin whether he was mentally normal, Liu replied: "A little abnormal. Denying that he was not responsible for what he was telling the Press since he admitted that he was 'abnormal,' Liu said: 'I am absolutely responsible for what I said.'"

Asked whether he has any relatives here, Liu mumbled incoherently and said that he has several wives including one in China and one in Mexico.

Asked by an American reporter why he did not want to go to mainland China, he said "because there is trouble between your country and mine."

Liu said he was in the United States for "more than five years."

He said he was going to stay in Hongkong and to work here on "things he had learned."

#### ENVOY'S COMPLAINT

Liu went to study in the United States in 1948. He was committed to the Missouri State Hospital as a schizophrenic in 1949. The complaint that he was kept in the hospital against his will was made by Mr Wang Ping-nan, Chinese Ambassador at the current Sino-American talks in Geneva.

American immigration authorities claimed that they had been trying to return Liu to China since 1951 but that they were not successful because British authorities balked at letting him go through Hongkong.

Mr Henry V. McCretton, Hongkong Deputy Immigration Officer, said this was the first occasion that he knew Liu had claimed Hongkong citizenship. He added that since he now claimed Hongkong citizenship, the immigration authorities would not send him across the border immediately and that inquiries would be made in an effort to establish his claims.

Mr McCretton said that Liu would not be held in immigration custody, but would be released on bond. Mr McCretton said he had no knowledge that any of Liu's relatives were in Hongkong.

#### NO PASSPORT

Asked why Liu was not sent across the border like 60 other Chinese repatriates who arrived from the United States with Liu in the President Wilson, Mr McCretton said that the Immigration Office was informed by Red Cross representatives that Liu was ill and that they wanted to render him assistance.

Mr McCretton said Liu had no passport but held a transit permit from the British Consulate-General in New York.

Included in the group who crossed into China this morning were two physicians and four holding doctorates, all former students in the United States.

## JOINING US CONSULATE-GEN.

Mr Jesse K. Dubay, Economic Officer, arrived from the United States in the American liner President Wilson this morning to join the American Consulate-General here.

Mr Dubay, who was on transfer here from the foreign office in Washington, was accompanied by his wife and three sons.



Liu Yung-ming, snapped at this morning's press conference by a staff photographer.

## Possessor Of Drug Fined \$800

A 49-year-old woman was fined \$800 or 14 weeks' imprisonment by Mr Hin-shing Lo at the Central Magistracy this morning when she pleaded guilty to possession of, and importing a dangerous drug.

The defendant, Lei Hou of no fixed abode, pleaded guilty to the charges and in mitigation said she was only trying to earn a few dollars as a carrier and that she did not know the nature of the drug she carried.

Senior Revenue Insp. Millington, conducting the prosecution, told the court that when the ss Tak Shing berthed at the Tai Yip Wharf at about 8.25 p.m. on January 29, the defendant disembarked carrying a paper carrier. She was stopped by a woman Revenue Officer and searched. In the paper carrier was found tin labelled "egg rolls." Questioned as to its contents, the defendant insisted that the tin held only egg rolls.

When the tin was opened it was found to contain nine ounces of a white powder which was analyzed to be cocaine hydrochloride. Mr Millington said that the powder in that form was a habit-forming drug valued at \$310.80, and three times that price on the black market.

The exhibits were ordered to be confiscated for disposal.

## Stowaway Caught A Second Time

Chan Ya-lin, 45, unemployed, has twice attempted to go to Singapore—and has ended up both times in a Hongkong goal.

In October last year he was brought back to the Colony by the captain of a ship on which he had smuggled himself. After serving a two-month sentence, Chan boarded the ss Tillywhash shortly before she sailed for Singapore.

He was discovered when the vessel was half-way towards her destination, and he appeared before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning on a charge of being a stowaway. The Magistrate fined him \$800 or three months.

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